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Message from the Principal Clerk of Committees

This is the Tenth Annual Report of the Committees and Private Legislation Directorate. It describes the activities and expenditures of the Directorate, as well as the contribution to public policy development made by Senate Committees during fiscal year 1999-2000 (April 1, 1999-March 31, 2000).

During the past year there have been several changes in the Directorate, including the appointment of its former director, Gary O'Brien, to the position of Deputy Clerk and Principal Clerk, Legislative Services. We congratulate him on his new post and thank him for his many years leading the Directorate. Dr. O'Brien set the highest standard of professional service for all those who work in the Directorate. As his successor, I will ensure that all those whom we serve—the Senate, Senators, and the Canadian public—continue to receive exceptional service.

Within the parliamentary cycle, there are sometimes periods of intensive activity followed by a moderate workload. The past fiscal year saw a push in the spring and early summer as Parliament worked at a quickened pace to deal with key pieces of legislation prior to the prorogation of Parliament. The October Throne Speech marking the commencement of the second session, also meant that committees had to complete certain tasks before starting their regular work. Thus, a considerable part of the autumn was devoted to reporting on expenditures of the previous session, holding organization meetings, obtaining orders of reference and presenting budgets. It was only during the latter part of the fiscal year that committee activity returned to its usual high level.

One of the strengths of the Directorate is the quality of its staff. They are competent, conscientious and dedicated individuals who deliver their service effectively and efficiently, often working under extremely tight time-lines. To assist them in enhancing their skills and knowledge, the Directorate, together with the House of Commons Committees Directorate, co-hosted in September a conference on the "State of Parliamentary Committees at the End of the 20th Century." This event which was open to committee clerks from all federal, provincial and territorial jurisdictions, attracted more than 80 participants from all parts of Canada. The conference allowed clerks to meet and discuss with colleagues various issues concerning support to parliamentary committees, and enabled them to come away with new insights and perspectives on their duties. Our Directorate was so pleased with the success of this event that it has decided to jointly sponsor with the Commons Committees Directorate, regular workshops for committee clerks. One such workshop was held in January with another scheduled for November.

Senate Committees have been described as "the heart and soul of the Senate" because of the impact that they have on public policy development. Not only do they provide an important forum for the examination of proposed legislation, they also conduct serious investigations on issues that impact on Canadians. The Directorate will continue to uphold its high standards of service delivery in supporting the work of Senate Committees.

Heather Lank
Principal Clerk

Mission Statement

The Senate of Canada, as part of the Parliament of Canada, is an integral part of the federal legislative process. As a legislature, the Senate has established a number of Select Committees to deal with the examination of bills, estimates and special studies in various subject-matters. The Committees Directorate serves those Committees in the areas of administration, parliamentary procedure and information relating to Committee tasks and objectives. In the fulfillment of its mission, the Senate Committees Directorate has the responsibility to:

- provide superior service to all Senators serving on committees;
- perform duties in a courteous, professional and impartial manner;

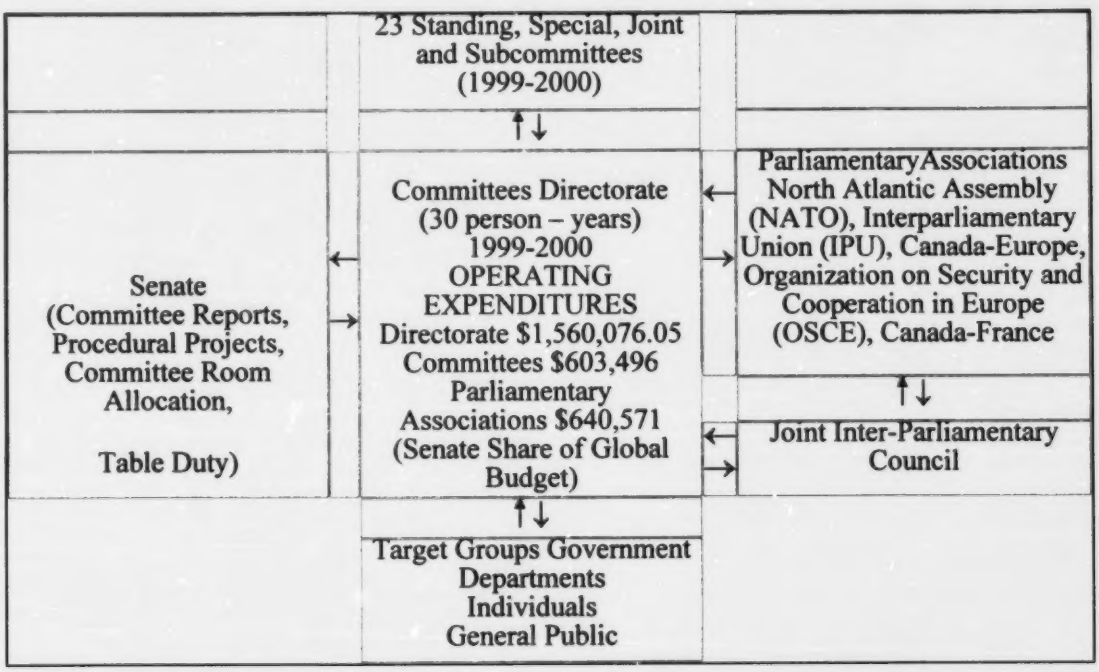
- respect the principle of confidentiality in working with Senators and in supporting committees;
- promote the public image of the Senate in particular and Parliament in general;
- observe the Rules and Regulations of the Senate;
- develop human resources;
- encourage innovation to improve the operations of the Directorate.

PART I

GENERAL INFORMATION
OVERVIEW OF STRUCTURE AND ACTIVITIES

Structure

The following diagram indicates the main features of the structure of the Committees Directorate during the fiscal year 1999-2000.*


23 Standing, Special, Joint and Subcommittees (1999-2000)
Committees Directorate (30 person – years) 1999-2000 OPERATING EXPENDITURES Directorate $1,560,076.05 Committees $603,496 Parliamentary Associations $640,571 (Senate Share of Global Budget)
Senate (Committee Reports, Procedural Projects, Committee Room Allocation, Table Duty)
Parliamentary Associations North Atlantic Assembly (NATO), Interparliamentary Union (IPU), Canada-Europe, Organization on Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Canada-France
Joint Inter-Parliamentary Council
Target Groups Government Departments Individuals General Public

* All data contained in this report was extracted from the *Journals of the Senate*, the Proceedings of Senate Committees and the records of the Senate Finance Directorate. Since the 1st Session of the 36th Parliament ended on October 12, 1999, this report includes statistics, charts and data from the 1st Session (April 1 to September 18, 1999) and the 2nd Session (October 12 to March 31, 2000).

Contributions to Public Policy Development – Special Study Reports

The following list highlights the major 1999-2000 reports by Committee. A description of the contents of the special study reports is found on page 9 of this report.

Aboriginal Peoples – *Forging New Relationships: Aboriginal Governance in Canada* (February 2000);

Agriculture and Forestry – *The Way Ahead: Canadian Agriculture's Priorities in the Millennium Round* (August 1999);

Subcommittee on the Boreal Forest – *Competing Realities: The Boreal Forest at Risk* (June 1999)

Banking, Trade and Commerce – *A Study of Common Currency, Canada and the United States: Views and Evidence Heard* (September 1999); *Export Development Act* (March 2000);

Foreign Affairs – ***Europe Revised:*** *Consequences of Increased European Integration for Canada* (November 1999);

Social Affairs, Science and Technology – *Final Report on Social Cohesion* (June 1999);

Transport and Communications – *Airline Industry Restructuring in Canada* (December 1999);

Subcommittee on Communications – *Wired to Win! Canada's Positioning within the World's Technological Revolution* (May 1999).

Consulting Canadians and Others

Every year, a number of major trips are undertaken in order to take testimony first-hand at the local and regional levels or as fact-finding missions nationally or internationally, in order to provide Senators the opportunity to better familiarise themselves with the issues they are studying.

This year the **Standing Committee on Fisheries**, in its study on the fishing industry in Canada, conducted fact-finding missions to New Brunswick and Quebec from February 28 to March 3, as well as to British Columbia from March 26 to April 1.

The **Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs** went to England, Germany, Belgium and France from June 18 to July 3 for its study on NATO and the European Monetary Union; and to Washington and New York from November 3 to November 6 for its study on NATO. As for the **Standing Joint Committee on Scrutiny of Regulations**, it participated in the Biennial Conference on Delegated Legislation in Sydney, Australia from July 21 to 23.

Communicating Their Work to Canadians

Television Broadcasting

In September of 1998 the Senate entered into a formal agreement with the Cable Public Affairs Channel (CPAC) to distribute, over their national satellite network, the televised proceedings of selected Senate Committees. At the same time, the Senate concluded an agreement with the House of Commons Broadcasting Service to do the actual production and recording of these proceedings. These two decisions followed a successful pilot project with CPAC that took place during 1997/98 during which both production and distribution services were provided by CPAC. The new arrangements assure that content, production standards and scheduling of televised proceedings are under exclusive Senate control, while responsibility for satellite distribution of the proceedings continues to rest with CPAC.

The success of the pilot project, as well as positive viewer response to televised committee proceedings, contributed to a threefold increase in the volume of televised proceedings during 1999-2000. During the year, **244.27** hours of

Senate Committee proceedings were broadcast. A complete list of the CPAC broadcasting of the Senate committee meetings can be found in the appendix to this report.

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Parliamentary Web Site

Greater visibility of Senate Committees was established on the Parliamentary Web Site. All Committee reports, press releases, and appropriate Directorate documents are now converted into HTML format and are posted on the Internet as soon as possible. Information on the Internet about Senate Committees, including contact names, telephone numbers and e-mail addresses are updated on a regular basis. Important Committees Directorate documents such as the Directorate's *Annual Report* and *Guide for Witnesses* are also posted on the Web. This work is done by the Committees Directorate Webmaster. Individual Committee web sites can be accessed at www.parl.gc.ca

The KIOSK system monitors, installed last year at the Senate entrances, allow visitors to call up information about Senate Committees. All PC terminals linked to the Parliament Hill Network and any person with access to the Internet can access the KIOSK system, which includes date, time and place of meetings, expected witnesses, radio frequencies and whether the meeting will be video-recorded.

Parliamentary Associations

In addition to its committee work, the Directorate was also responsible for the administration of five (5) Parliamentary Associations: the North Atlantic Assembly (NATO), the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU), Canada-Europe, the Organization on Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), and Canada-France. Parliamentary Associations provide an opportunity for Senators to present Canadian policies and positions, while learning about the challenges facing their international colleagues.

The Directorate is also responsible for co-clerking the Joint Inter-Parliamentary Council (JIC) which is responsible for setting the administrative policies and budgets of the various parliamentary associations. A list of the conferences and meetings held by Senate-administered Parliamentary Associations is included in Part IV of this report.

HIGHLIGHTS OF SPECIAL STUDY REPORTS BY SENATE COMMITTEES, 1999-2000

Aboriginal Peoples

Forging New Relationships: Aboriginal Governance in Canada
(Third report, tabled in the Senate on February 15, 2000;
Sessional Paper No. 2/36-259S.)

In 1997, the Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples decided to undertake a special study on Aboriginal governance. In particular, it wanted to concentrate on the recommendations made in this regard by the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples in its 1996 Report. Between November 1998 and June 1999, the Committee held public hearings where it heard from more than 100 witnesses, including representatives of a number of Aboriginal organizations in Canada, traditional and hereditary Chiefs, clan mothers and elders.

In the course of its study, the Committee looked especially closely at structures and mechanisms for negotiating and implementing treaties and agreements as well as at Aboriginal self-government. In its report published in February 2000, the Committee formulated a number of recommendations so that governments and Aboriginal peoples would both be better equipped to build good relations. Among other things, it recommended:

- That the federal government adopt comprehensive and more flexible approaches to negotiating governance with Aboriginal peoples;

- That a new Office of Aboriginal Relations be established outside the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, responsible for negotiating and implementing relationships with all Aboriginal peoples;

- That a broad statutory framework be adopted to guide the Government of Canada in negotiating and implementing relationships by way of treaties and other agreements;

- That an independent oversight body for relationships involving Aboriginal peoples and the Government of Canada be established, reporting to Parliament and having a public reporting and education role; an investigative role encompassing ombudsman and compliance monitoring functions; and a facilitation role; and

- That persons working at all levels of the judiciary in Canada be given opportunities for cross-cultural training and education to enhance their awareness of Aboriginal rights, laws, perspectives, cultures, traditions and social problems.

Agriculture and Forestry

The Way Ahead: Canadian Agriculture's Priorities in the Millennium Round

(Eleventh report, tabled in the Senate on August 4, 1999; Sessional Paper No. 1/36-1233S.)

In the fall of 1998 and the spring of 1999, the Committee held public hearings on international trade in agricultural commodities and agri-food products, in order to set the direction and priorities Canada should adopt at the November 1999 round of World Trade Organization (WTO) negotiations on agriculture to be held in Seattle. The conclusions of the Committee's deliberations coincided with the findings of two House of Commons Committees (Agriculture and Agri-Food, and Foreign Affairs and International Trade) and the April 1999 *Toward an Agricultural Trade Position: Dialogue with Canadian Industry* conference.

The Senate Committee heard a great deal of testimony from representatives of the agriculture and agri-food sector, and also travelled to Europe in order to assess the European Union (EU) position just prior to the round of negotiations. The Committee's discussions focused on five themes: market access; export competition; domestic support; state trading enterprises; and biotechnology, particularly Sanitary and Phytosanitary Measures (SPMs). The Committee's recommendations reflected the opinions expressed and the priorities proposed by most witnesses.

The Committee's report indicated that trade liberalization, accompanied by clear WTO disciplinary rules, should be the way ahead. It also stressed the vital importance of market access. By 2005, major improvements must be made in the crucial areas of market access, support for domestic industries, and subsidies for export competitiveness, if Canada's agriculture and agri-food sector is to garner a minimum of 4% of world trade. In the Committee's view, the way ahead for this sector will depend on the success of the upcoming round of negotiations.

Boreal Forest (Subcommittee)

Competing Realities: The Boreal Forest at Risk

(Tenth report, tabled in the Senate on June 28, 1999; Sessional Paper No. 1/36-1232S.)

The Subcommittee on the Boreal Forest that had started its work in the last Parliament, tabled in June 1999, *Competing Realities: The Boreal Forest at Risk*. It examined the status of Canada's boreal forests, particularly progress made towards achieving the national goals of sustainable forest management and protection of biodiversity. In addition to hearings in Ottawa, the Subcommittee visited forestry operations and held hearings in northern Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick. It also made a five-day trip to Stockholm and Helsinki to study forest operations in Scandinavia. In total, 35 hearings were held at which 131 witnesses appeared.

The report makes 35 recommendations. These include a number of key focuses addressing the boreal forest as a home for its inhabitants, as a source of wealth, as a playground, and as a natural heritage. In order to accommodate all of the competing demands on the boreal forest, the Subcommittee recommends that serious consideration be given to a natural forest landscape- based forest use regime that apportions the boreal forest into three distinct categories. One category, comprising up to 20 per cent of the forest land base, would be managed intensively for timber production. A second category, which would comprise the majority of the boreal forest, would be managed

less intensively for a variety of values, but with preservation of biodiversity as the primary objective. The third category, comprising up to 20 per cent of the forest land base, would be set aside as protected areas to preserve ecologically and culturally significant areas.

In addition, the Subcommittee recommended that the federal government use its existing constitutional authority regarding aboriginal rights, fisheries, endangered species, migratory birds, navigable waters and environmental impact assessment to ensure a strong federal involvement in Canada's boreal forests. The tax system should be used to promote the conversion of marginal farmland to fibre production and to enhance the expansion of privately owned woodlots.

Several federal departments and agencies have responsibilities regarding boreal forests. Indian Affairs and Northern Development Canada, the Canadian Forestry Service and other federal agencies must live up to the federal government's responsibilities regarding Metis and First Nations in all their programs dealing with aboriginal forestry issues. In addition, government and industry should work together to increase the amount of value-added wood manufacturing taking place in the boreal forest communities with a view to increasing employment in the forestry sector. Finally, at the international level, Canada should promote the integration of the various forest certification systems. Having a plethora of systems would render them all less effective.

Banking, Trade and Commerce

A Study of Common Currency, Canada and the United States: Views and Evidence Heard

(Twenty-ninth report, tabled in the Senate on September 14, 1999; Sessional Paper No. 1/36-1277S.)

Since the early 1970s, and particularly with the introduction of a single European Union (EU) currency and the weak, unstable position of the Canadian dollar in recent years, the idea of possible monetary union among Canada, the United States, and Mexico has gained increasing interest in Canada.

On March 25, 1999, the Committee heard five experts – Professor Jack Carr of the University of Toronto; Professor Thomas Courchene of Queen's University; Mr John Crow, economics consultant and former Governor of the Bank of Canada; Professor Herbert Grubel of Simon Fraser University; and Professor Bernard Wolfe of York University – debate optimum monetary conditions for Canada.

These experts' testimony reflected two main views. Professors Courchene and Grubel favoured a single currency and a set exchange rate system among Canada, the United States, and Mexico, arguing that integrating these economies would reduce uncertainty and the costs of volatile exchange rates, be a line of defence against the euro, and promote fiscal discipline. Professors Carr and Wolf and Mr. Crow favoured a flexible exchange rate system, arguing that the economies of Canada and the United States were too different for monetary union to be considered, that a flexible exchange rate system made it possible to absorb both domestic and foreign economic shocks, and that monetary union would incur some loss of sovereignty since the United States, with its vast economy, would gain too much financial and political control, an undesirable situation for Canada.

On neither side of this debate, however, was dollarization – the option of having Canada adopt the United States dollar – popular. According to these experts, dollarization would cause Canada to lose monetary policy control, sovereignty, and seigniorage revenue, and would require the withdrawal of Canadian bills and coins in circulation.

Export Development Act

(Fourth report, tabled in the Senate on March 28, 1999; Sessional Paper No. 2/36 299S.)

In 1993, the government amended the *Export Development Act* to expand the powers of the Export Development Corporation (EDC), Canada's export credit agency. Under the Act, the EDC was to be the subject of a full review by a House of Commons committee and a Senate committee five years after the coming into force of the amendments, and every ten years thereafter.

In July 1999, the Minister of International Trade tabled the Gowlings Report with the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade of the House of Commons. That Committee reviewed the Report's 39 recommendations. The Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce also studied the Report, in order to round out the House study. The Senate Committee however concentrated on lack of involvement by the private

sector in medium-term financing for Canadian exporters.

Following the appearance of a number of witnesses from the EDC, Gowlings and several financial institutions, the Committee concluded that the banks should be able to compete with the EDC on an equal footing, which is not the case at present. Finally, it recommended to the government that a guarantee mechanism be introduced that would equalize opportunities for competition without damaging the EDC's ability to serve exporters.

Foreign Affairs

Europe Revised: Consequences of Increased European Integration for Canada
(Fourth report, tabled in the Senate on November 17, 1999; Sessional Paper No 2/36-138S.)

This report on the changed economic situation in Europe and its repercussions for Canada was an update to the Committee's report on its 1995-96 study. The main focuses of this report are the new directions taken by Europe since the introduction of the European Monetary Union (EMU), and the chances for a comprehensive Canada-Europe trade agreement.

At its public hearings, the Committee heard many witnesses from both Canada and Europe. In June 1999 it travelled to London, England; Bonn; Paris; and Brussels. Following its hearings, the Committee made seven major recommendations aimed at giving higher priority to Canada-Europe relations. The Committee also considered that the growing power of the European economic bloc should be of greater concern to Canadian decision-makers and businesses circles.

Noting possible long-term trade repercussions of a single European Union (EU) currency, some observers thought that Canada should offset this possibility by going ahead and negotiating monetary union with the United States. However, the Committee recommended that Canada diversify its trade relations and adopt a determinedly global approach instead.

In order to offset any loss of influence in monetary and other, more general international economic matters arising from a possible global monetary structure, the Committee also recommended that Canada strive to maintain its standing and influence as a member of various international organizations.

Where possible future EU expansion was concerned, the Committee recommended that Canada do everything it could to ensure that this possibility did not reduce overall access of Canadian goods to European markets or harm Canada's economic interests.

Lastly, the Committee considered that Canada must apply itself now to the task of making its transatlantic trade relations more dynamic, recommending that the government make innovative proposals promoting more effective relations with the EU. The Committee observed that now might be the time for Canada to consider a Trans-Atlantic Free Trade Agreement (TAFTA).

Social Affairs, Science and Technology

Final Report on Social Cohesion
(Twenty-second report, tabled in the Senate on June 17, 1999; Sessional Paper No. 1/36-1214S.)

Major worldwide transformations, often resulting from globalization and technological change, have characterized the past several years. While generating a great deal of energy and creativity, these historic transformations have also shaken the economic and social bases of major public- and private-sector institutions. In June 1998, the Committee therefore began a special in-depth study of social cohesion in Canada, tabling its final report in June 1999.

Specifically, the Committee considered aspects of social cohesion in Canada against the background of globalization and other economic and structural factors influencing levels of trust and reciprocity among Canadians. At its public hearings, the Committee heard over 30 witnesses from the volunteer sector, banks and credit institutions, universities, government, the business community, unions and religious groups, who spoke of the stresses exerted on social cohesion by globalization and technological change.

The final report conveyed the following three main messages, encouraging government, business and community leaders to be more imaginative and creative in finding the solutions Canadian society needs to strike a more sustainable balance between economic globalization and social cohesion:

- decision-makers must ensure that the economic integration driven by market globalization does not lead to domestic social disintegration;

- social cohesion has to do not only with shared values but also with redistribution. If social cohesion is to exist in the new global era, means must be found to ensure more reasonable distribution of the benefits of trade liberalization and technological change. The Committee therefore recommended renewal of Canada's traditional commitment to social justice and sharing; and

- Canadians must make choices if they are to solve the social and economic problems caused by globalization and technological change.

Lastly, the Committee expressed the firm belief that social cohesion is a societal vision that goes beyond all institutions, and that Canadians must work together if they are to build a society that benefits everyone more. Greater leadership is called for in order to ensure a strong social fabric by adopting the desired vision and taking charge of progress toward making it a reality. The Committee therefore recommended that a national coalition be struck, to create a vision of balance between economic and social objectives and to set standards for public- and private-sector action.

Transport and Communications

Airline Industry Restructuring in Canada
(Second report, presented in the Senate on December 9, 1999)

In October 1999, the Committee held public hearings on the government order using section 47 of the *Canada Transportation Act* to suspend the application of the *Competition Act* to airlines in Canada and thus allow discussion of a possible airline merger.

Many witnesses appeared before the Committee at its hearings to speak on restructuring competition in the airline industry, including the Transport Minister, Canada's two major airlines, Onex Corporation, the Commissioner of the Competition Bureau, small airlines, unions, and consumer groups. In its report, the Committee made major recommendations for restructuring the airline industry, including measures to protect the public directly and to promote competition by developing small airlines and eliminating barriers to new ones.

Of particular importance were measures to offset predatory pricing: endorsing the Competition Bureau's proposals, the Committee recommended that the *Competition Act* be amended to provide for cease-and-desist orders in case of predatory pricing in the airline industry.

The Committee considered frequent flyer programs, an excellent marketing tool for airlines; the inability of new airlines to offer comparable programs; and the resulting severe disadvantage to these airlines. It concluded that new airlines should be authorized to purchase frequent flyer points from the dominant carrier and to award them to its own passengers.

The excessive restriction on individually-held voting shares in Air Canada could place this airline into the hands of management, since no shareholder would have enough votes to influence decisively the election of the Board of Directors at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee therefore recommended that the restriction on individually-held voting shares in Air Canada be raised from 10% to 20% and that the provision preventing block voting among shareholders also be repealed.

In order to maintain service to small communities, the Committee recommended that sections 64 and 65 of the *Canada Transportation Act* be strengthened to maintain existing service by Air Canada and Canadian. It also recommended that the government review its pricing and rental policies at small airports in order to guarantee passenger service and reasonable prices.

Lastly, the Committee recommended that the *Official Languages Act* apply fully to services provided to the public by a dominant Canadian carrier or owner and its affiliates. The Committee also asked that, in seeking commitments from a dominant carrier or owner, the government insist on fair employee treatment regarding continuous service, layoffs, and seniority lists.

Communications (Subcommittee)

Canada's Wired to Win! Positioning within the World's Technological Revolution

(Thirteenth report, tabled in the Senate in May 1999; Sessional Paper No. 1/36-1182S.)

In April 1997, the Subcommittee on Communications presented an interim report, on evaluating Canada's competitive position in the international communications market. In May 1999, the Subcommittee presented its final report, aimed at finding a better way to promote Canada's cultural mosaic in the face of the new realities of market globalization, technological convergence and the emergence of new media.

In its search for answers, the Subcommittee undertook independent research and fact-finding missions, and compiled evidence presented at public hearings. It focused particularly on the new technology and its distribution systems, the Internet, the new technology's cultural indicators, and initiatives to promote a Canadian presence in the new media.

In its final report the Subcommittee made 21 recommendations, arguing that governments should at all costs rethink old policies regulating the traditional media such as radio and television, to adapt them to the new media. The Subcommittee also argued that it was vital to establish a very flexible strategic framework in order to promote Canadian culture.

The report dealt with the issues of pornography, racism and violence on the Internet; tax credits; intellectual property and the right to privacy; and the need to create a national cultural trading agency combining international marketing activities under one roof and providing a one-stop venue for Canadian creators of cultural products or content for export. In addition, it recommended that the government make sure through the Competition Bureau that mergers and acquisitions in the areas of telecommunications and the new media do not stifle competition.

Special attention was also given to Canada's educational systems, which the Subcommittee recommended should be encouraged to harness children's fascination with computers. To introduce schoolchildren to the world of technology and make them aware of Canada's position in the world, the Subcommittee recommended that the government link all Canadian schools via the Internet.

Public Perception of Senate Committee Work:
Press Coverage Highlights

In the past year, the press had plenty to say about the Senate's work:

Ottawa has had plenty of warning from Europe Battle shaping up over GM foods

> "At the House of Commons agriculture committee, critics will raise the point but to a largely skeptical Senate agriculture committee showed itself to be biotech skeptical when it held highly critical hearings on Monsanto's proposal to introduce a dairy growth hormone". (*Winnipeg Free Press,* September 29, 1999)

The issue is clear-cut

"The Senate report (on Forestry) does not understate the vested and legitimate interests at play (...) But a crisis is building, and the Senate has done a good job describing how serious it is (...) The Senate has drawn up a plan that at the very least should prove a useful point of discussion". (*The Gazette,* July 2, 1999)

Senate committee subpoenaes witness in bovine growth probe

"The Senate Agriculture Committee played a key role in the federal Health Department's decision (...) to reject the bovine growth hormone that boosts milk production in cows". (*The Hill Times,* May 24, 1999)

Guarantee air service to smaller airports, Senate committee says

"Transport Minister David Collenette is expected to introduce legislation in the House of Commons in February on the issues of airline restructuring. The legislation is expected to address the concerns raised by the Senate committee as well as consumer groups". (*The Guardian (Charlottetown),* December 29, 1999)

Hark! Hear the Senate roar

"Mr. Romanow won't get his royal commission, but the Senate committee (Social Affairs, Science and Technology) could be an effective substitute. The Senate occasionally offers the venue for a more considered discussion of major public issues than anything available in the Commons or the federal-provincial arena." (*The Globe and Mail,* February 11, 2000)

Senate delays passing of privacy bill Adopts a report introducing amendments dealing with personal health care information

"Members of the federal Senate delayed passing the privacy bill that would guarantee the protection of consumer data (...) The Senate is proposing the moratorium to give the sector time to figure out the best way to protect health care information". (*The Globe and Mail,* December 8, 1999)

Senate committee presses for habitat protection

"New endangered- species legislation must contain provisions to preserve the habitat of animals at risk of extinction, a Senate committee report says (...) The committee (Agriculture & Forestry) spent months studying the threats facing Canada's boreal forest". (*The Globe and Mail*, July 8, 1999)

Monopoly fears fuelled by airline's takeover;
Transport minister urged to usher in new rules in light of Canadian Airline deal

"A Senate committee (Transport & Communication) is also due to issue recommendations this week (...) the report will help in the preparation of new legislation for the industry". (*Windsor Star,* December 6, 1999)

Senate on Ag trade policy

"The recommendations (report on agriculture trade policy) are a predictable blend of calls for open markets and protection for supply management and the Canadian Wheat board (...) the Senate report also offers some timely reminders about the current state of agriculture in Canada and the industry's ambivalent attitude toward the trade talks. It also calls for the federal and provincial governments to provide more support for Canadian farmers". (*Manitoba Co-operator,* August 26, 1999)

Senate Oks two new committees

"The two new Senate committees (Defense and Human rights) would have the time to examine the issues that the House can't (...) because the Senate committees are not bound by the political pressure facing the House committees, a more in "depth job" is possible to study several controversial issues that would not be dealt with through the Commons (...) the Senate committees have done some good work". (*The Hill Times*, June 14, 1999)

Committee Operations

The following table compares the vario us activities of all Senate Committees by fiscal years since 1995.

Activity Indicators	1999-2000	1998-99	1997-98	1996-97	1995-96	5 year average
Meetings	340	527	346	412	373	399.6
Reports	84	107	112	105	110	104.6
Hours in Committee	611.5	1,122	668	793	474	808.3
Witnesses	982	1,939	1,322	1,631	1,023	1,379.4
Bills	29	60	52	51	52	48.8
Pre-Studies/ Subject-matter	1	0	0	0	1	0.4
Special Studies Undertaken	41	34	51	24	23	34.6

The following table illustrates the various orders of reference received by Senate Committees in the fiscal year 1999-2000.

Orders of Reference	No. of Meetings	% of Total Meetings	No. of Hours	% of Total Hours
Bills and Subject-Matter of Bills	106	31.2	213.0	34.9
Special Studies	167	49.1	313.9	51.3
Permanent (Internal, Rules, Library, Selection, Official Languages, Scrutiny)	67	19.7	84.6	13.8
Total	**340**	**100**	**611.5**	**100**

Legislation

The following table compares the number of bills referred to Senate Committees since 1995.

Years	Bills	Total No. of Meetings	Total No. of Hours	Total No. of Witnesses
1999-00	**29**	**106**	**213**	**515**
1998-99	**60**	**150**	**282.5**	**636**
1997-98	**52**	**102**	**217.7**	**604**
1996-97	**51**	**149**	**294.3**	**734**
1995-96	**53**	**133**	**263.7**	**540**

The following table reflects which bills were amended in fiscal year 1999-2000.
All of the amendments were adopted by the House of Commons and the bills received Royal Assent.

BILLS	Number of amendments
Government Bills	
Bill C-49 (*First Nation Land Management)*	2
Bill C-55 (*Advertising Services in Foreign Periodical Publishers)*	3
Bill C-7 (*Criminal Records Act)*	4
Bill C-6 (*Electronic Commerce Act)*	2
Bill S-10 *(National Defense Act)*	2
Senate Private Bills	
Bill S-25 *(Certified General Accountants Association of Canada Act)*	2
Total	**15**

Special Studies

The following table compares the number of special studies undertaken by Senate Committees since 1995.

Years	Special Studies	Total No. of Meetings	Total No. of Hours	Total No. of Witnesses
1999-00	41	167	313.9	424
1998-99	34	294	690.3	1,239
1997-98	51	169	359.3	734
1996-97	24	177	367.2	811
1995-96	23	153	386.3	372

Note: on numbers of witnesses

In the individual committee profiles :

Chart C on the reports to the Senate includes the number of witnesses who appeared on each order of reference that was reported to the Senate during fiscal year 1999-2000.

Chart D on the activities of the committee includes the total number of witnesses heard during the fiscal year, including those on orders of reference which were not reported to the Senate during fiscal year 199-2000.

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PART II

COMMITTEE PROFILES 1999-2000

ABORIGINAL PEOPLES

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(* Indicates ex officio members)

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Watt (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Johnson (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, Andreychuk, Austin, Beaudoin, Chalifoux, Doody, *Graham (or Carstairs), Johnson, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Marchand, Pearson, Taylor, Watt

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Chalifoux, Cochrane, Comeau, Ghitter, Gill, Maheu, Mahovlich, Pépin, Robertson, St. Germain, Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Jill Anne Joseph

Researcher and Administrative Support: Jill Wherrett (Library of Parliament), Kae Schade (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Austin (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator St. Germain (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Andreychuk, Austin, Beaudoin, *Boudreau (or Hays), Chalifoux, Christensen, Comeau, DeWare, Gill, Johnson, *Lynch-Staunton, (or Kinsella), Pearson, Sibbeston, Watt

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Comeau, Finestone, Nolin, Rompkey, Rossiter, Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Jill Anne Joseph

Researcher and Administrative Support: Mary Hurley (Library of Parliament), Tonina Simeone (Library of

Parliament), Kae Schade (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Senate Standing Committee on Aboriginal Peoples was created in 1990, following a motion presented by the Honourable Len Marchand, an Aboriginal Senator from British Columbia who later became its first chair. Prior to its creation, the Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology considered bills that affected Aboriginal peoples, but since 1990 the Aboriginal Peoples Committee has been given this responsibility, a task that represents a significant portion of its activity. In the fiscal year 1999- 2000, the Committee studied two major pieces of legislation, namely C-49, the *First Nations Land Management Act* in the 1st Session of the 36th Parliament, and C-9, the *Nisga'a Final Agreement Act* in the 2nd Session, hearing over 50 witnesses on each bill. The passage of C-9 finalized the landmark land claim settlement in northwest British Columbia that provided the Nisga'a peoples with ownership of about 2000 square kilometres of land and the jurisdiction to enact laws governing such matters as language, culture and local government. The Nisga'a no longer fall under the *Indian Act* and, in a few years, will be paying taxes.

In February 2000, the Committee tabled its report entitled *Forging New Relationships: Aboriginal Governance in Canada* . The report was the product of a two- and- a- half year study that involved over 100 witnesses and recommended initiatives that would fundamentally alter federal- Aboriginal relations. (For more details, see Highlights of special study report on page 9).

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Eighth	Aboriginal governance	1999-04-28	-	Procedural Guidelines
Ninth	Bill C-49 (Framework Agreement on the First Nation Land Management)	1999-05-13	52	Bill reported with amendments and observations
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-24	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Aboriginal governance	1999-12-15	-	Financial Guidelines for the Financial Operations
Third	The recommendations of the Royal Commission Report respecting Aboriginal governance	2000-02-15	29	Final Report entitled *Forging New Relationships: Aboriginal Governance in Canada*
Fourth	Bill C-9 (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	2000-03-29	58	Report tabled without amendment but with observations

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	34	77.3	139	6
1998-99	35	64.7	120	4
1997-98	10	12.7	20	5
1996-97	3	2.8	5	2
1995-96	7	8.6	21	1

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 90,194
Witnesses: $126,030

AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY
(see also the Subcommittee on Boreal Forest, p. 29)
(see also the Subcommittee on Forestry, p. 31)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Gustafson (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Whelan (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bryden, Callbeck, *Graham (or Carstairs), Gustafson, Hays, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Rivest, Robichaud, F., Rossiter, Sparrow, Spivak, Stratton, Taylor, Whelan

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators Chalifoux, Fairbairn, Gustafson, Hervieux-Payette, Kinsella, Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Blair Armitage

Researcher and Administrative Support: Jean-Denis Fréchette (Library of Parliament), June Dewetering (Library of Parliament), Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Gustafson (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Fairbairn (Lib)

The Honourable Senators: (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): *Boudreau (or Hays), Chalifoux, Fairbairn, Fitzpatrick, Ferretti Barth, Gill, Gustafson, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Oliver, Robichaud, F., Sparrow, Spivak, St. Germain, Stratton

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators Banks, Carstairs, Grafstein, Perry, Rossiter, Wiebe

Committee Clerk: Blair Armitage

Researcher and Administrative Support : June Dewetering (Library of Parliament), Brigitte Martineau (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

In May 1986, the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry became two separate committees: the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, and the Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries. Under the *Rules of the Senate* , this Committee has responsibility for agriculture and forestry generally, and the Canadian Wheat Board.

In recent years, this Committee has conducted a number of special studies, including farm safety, agricultural trade, and the drug approval process for growth hormones. During the fall of 1998 and spring of 1999, the Committee undertook a special study of international trade in agricultural and agri-food products.

Over the years, this Committee has also conducted extensive reviews of proposed legislation, examining 7 bills in the first session of the 35th Parliament and 3 bills in the second session. During the first session of the 36th Parliament, the Committee examined 2 bills, including Bill C-4, *An Act to amend the Canadian Wheat Board Act.* During its examination of this relatively controversial bill, the Committee traveled in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta as well as holding hearings in Ottawa. As a result of these extensive hearings, the Committee proposed 5 amendments and all were accepted.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Ninth	Present state and future of forestry in Canada	1999-04-28	-	Procedural Guidelines
Tenth	Study on Boreal Forest	1999-06-28	-	Final Report entitled "Competing Realities: The Boreal Forest at Risk"
Eleventh	Present state and the future of agriculture and forestry in Canada	1999-08-04	47	Interim Report entitled "The Way Ahead: Canadian Agriculture's Priorities in the Millennium Round"
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-12-08		Expenses from previous session

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	19	41.3	66	4
1998-99	32	77.9	135	5
1997-98	17	42.2	122	5
1996-97	13	18.3	18	4
1995-96	10	11.4	14	6

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 5,838
Witnesses: $ 38,339

BOREAL FOREST (Subcommittee)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Taylor (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Spivak (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry): *Graham (or Carstairs), *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Robichaud, F., Spivak, Stratton, Taylor, Whelan

Other Senator who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senator Chalifoux

Committee Clerk: Barbara Reynolds

Researcher and Administrative Support: Lynne Myers (Library of Parliament), Anne Marleau (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry has examined the subject of the boreal forest on three occasions. In November 1996 it conducted a series of fact-finding visits to Western Canada to view at first hand the nature and extent of the problems facing the boreal forest. Subsequently, a subcommittee was created in February 1997, but its work was interrupted by the general election. In the current Parliament, the Committee was set up in February 1998 to complete this special study. Its report was tabled in June 1999 at which time the Subcommittee was disbanded.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

The Subcommittee on Boreal Forest reports to the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

D. Activities of the Committee:

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	3	6.4	-
1998-99	23	40.1	74
1997-98	7	9.1	16
1996-97	2	2.9	3

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000 (For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $19,241
Witnesses: NIL

FORESTRY (Subcommittee)

A. Committee Memberships for the Fiscal Year 1999-2000

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Fitzpatrick (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator St. Germain (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry): *Boudreau (or Hays), Fairbairn, Fitzpatrick, Gill, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), St. Germain, Stratton

Other Senator who served on the Committee:

Committee Clerk: Till Heyde

Researcher and Administrative Support: June Dewetering (Library of Parliament), Mirella Agostini (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

In the First Session of the current Parliament, the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture and Forestry set up a subcommittee to complete a special study on the boreal forest. In the current session, it established a Subcommittee on Forestry to study the future of the softwood lumber industry. The study is expected to be conducted over a year. It will focus on four issues: 1) the implications of corporate consolidation within the Canadian softwood lumber industry; 2) the *Canada- US Softwood Lumber Agreement* , including consideration of the provincial stumpage, resource ownership, forestry practices, and environmental regulations, as well as fee structures and forestry practices in the United States; 3) value- added Canadian softwood lumber product development, including technology development and application; and 4) current and proposed marketing initiatives to promote Canadian softwood lumber products.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

The Subcommittee on Forestry reports to the Standing Committee on Agriculture and Forestry

D. Activities of the Committee:

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	1	0.1	-

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: NIL
Witnesses: NIL

BANKING, TRADE AND COMMERCE

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Kirby (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Tkachuk (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Angus, Austin, *Graham (or Carstairs), Hervieux-Payette, Kelleher, Kirby, Kolber, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Meighen, Oliver, Stanbury, Stewart, Tkachuk

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Andreychuk, Bolduc, Buchanan, De Bané, Di Nino, Ferretti Barth, Fraser, Grafstein, Kenny, Kroft, Stollery, Stratton

Committee Clerk : Gary Levy

Researcher and Administrative Support: Marion Wrobel (Library of Parliament), Alexandre Laurin (Library of Parliament), Lise Bouchard (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Kolber (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Tkachuk (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Angus, *Boudreau (or Hays), Fitzpatrick, Furey, Hervieux-Payette, Joyal, Kelleher, Kenny, Kolber, Kroft, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Meighen, Oliver, Tkachuk

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Cook, Di Nino, Finnerty, Gill, Grafstein, Graham, Kenny, Mahovlich, Poulin, Taylor

Committee Clerk : Gary Levy

Researcher and Administrative Support: Marion Wrobel (Library of Parliament), Lise Bouchard (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce is one of the oldest committees of the Senate. It was first created in 1867 under the name of the Banking, Commerce and Railways Committee. In 1870 this committee was divided into the Committee on Banking and Commerce and the Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbors. In 1969 it became the

Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce. The Committee receives matters relating to banking, trade and commerce generally, including: banking, insurance, trust and loan companies, credit societies, *caisses populaires* and small loans companies; customs and excise; taxation legislation; patents and royalties; corporate affairs; and bankruptcy.

The Committee is traditionally one of the busiest committees and the past fiscal year was no exception. In addition to examining seven bills on various financial matters, the Committee also completed two special studies, one on the introduction of a commons currency with the United States and the other on the operation of the *Export Development Act* . In addition, the Committee continued work on two other special studies, one on capital gains tax and the other on the financing of small and medium-sized enterprises.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Twenty-second	Bill S-25 (Certified General Accountants Association of Canada)	1999-04-20	7	Bill reported with two amendments
Twenty-third	State of the financial system in Canada	1999-04-27	-	Procedural Guidelines
Twenty-fourth	Bill S-18 (Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada)	1999-05-04	3	Bill reported without amendment
Twenty-fifth	Bill C-72 (Income Tax Act)	1999-05-31	2	Bill reported without amendment
Twenty-sixth	Bill C-67 (An Act to amend the Bank Act, the Winding-up and Restructuring Act)	1999-06-10	5	Bill reported without amendment
Twenty-seventh	Bill C-78 (Public Sector Pension Investment Board)	1999-06-15	-	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Twenty-eighth	Bill C-78 (Public Sector Pension Investment Board)	1999-09-07	51	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Twenty-ninth	State of the financial system	1999-09-14	5	Interim report entitled "A

	in Canada			Study of Common Currency; Canada and the United States – Views and Evidence"
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-18	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Bill S-3, (double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income)	1999-12-07	8	Bill reported without amendment
Third	Financial systems	1999-12-16	-	Budget
Fourth	Financial systems	2000-03-28	48	Report entitled "Export Development Act"

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	32	65.1	124	12
1998-99	72	197.0	135	9
1997-98	28	57.1	119	16
1996-97	43	108.2	374	12
1995-96	28	57.5	143	12

E. Expenditures For Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 43,591
Witnesses: $ 22,871

ENERGY, THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Ghitter (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Taylor (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Buchanan, Butts, Cochrane, Ghitter, *Graham (or Carstairs), Gustafson, Hays, Kirby, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Spivak, Stanbury, Rompkey, Taylor, Watt

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Adams, Chalifoux, Cook, De Bané,

Finestone, Fitzpatrick, Fraser, Hervieux- Payette, Johnstone, Kenny, Kroft, Losier- Cool, Moore, Nolin Pearson, Poulin, Robichaud, F., Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Tim Wilson (April – August), Till Heyde (September to March)

Researcher and Administrative Support: Lynne Myers (Library of Parliament), Mirella Agostini (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament
Chair: The Honourable Senator Spivak (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Taylor (Lib)

The Honourable Senators: (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, *Boudreau (or Hays), Buchanan, Chalifoux, Christensen, Cochrane, Eyton, Furey, Kenny, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Sibbeston, Spivak, St. Germain, Taylor

Other Senator who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Till Heyde (October – December), Michel Patrice (January – March)

Researcher and Administrative Support: Lynne Myers (Library of Parliament), Mirella Agostini (Administrative Assistant, October – December), Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant, January – April)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources first met in January 1984 under the name of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Its name and mandate was changed to the present one in January 1991. However, a Committee on Natural Resources did exist from 1946 to 1968. The current Committee deals with matters relating to energy, the environment and natural resources generally, including: mines and natural resources, other than fisheries and forestry; pipelines, transmission lines and energy transportation; environmental affairs; and other energy-related matters.

In recent years this Committee has undertaken a number of special studies, including a three-year study on natural protected areas as well as an examination of the safety implications of automated weather observation systems. At the present time, the Committee is conducting a study of nuclear reactor safety. It has started to review safety-related aspects of nuclear power plants – including reactors in Ontario that began to produce electricity in the early 1970s. It will also examine domestic oversight of reactors and safeguards internationally to prevent nuclear accidents as power plants elsewhere age.

During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, the Committee spent considerable time reviewing Bill C-32 which was designed to replace entirely the original Canadian Environmental Protection Act (1988), the principal piece of federal environmental protection legislation. Given the complex nature of the bill, the committee decided to hold hearings during the summer.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Seventh	Bill C-32 (Pollution prevention and	1999-09-09	95	Bill reported without

	the protection of the environment and human health)			amendment but with observations
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-24	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Issues relating to energy, the environment, and natural resources	1999-12-15	-	Financial Guidelines for the Financial Operations

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	27	60.4	117	3
1998-99	14	29.9	44	4
1997-98	9	18.7	32	2
1996-97	21	49.2	106	8
1995-96	18	28.5	51	11

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 37,971
Witnesses: $ 21,713

FISHERIES

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair : The Honourable Senator Comeau (PC)
Deputy Chair : The Honourable Senator Perrault (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, Butts, Comeau, *Graham (or Carstairs), Jessiman, Losier-Cool, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella,), Meighen, Perrault, Petten, Robichaud F., Rossiter, Stewart

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Cook, Mahovlich, Robertson

Committee Clerk: Barbara Reynolds

Researcher and Administrative Support: Claude Emery (Library of Parliament), Anne Marleau (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Comeau (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Perrault (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): *Boudreau (or Hays), Carney, Comeau, Cook, Doody, Furey, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Mahovlich, Meighen, Murray, Perrault, Perry, Robichaud, F., Watt

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Di Nino, Johnson, Robertson

Committee Clerk: Barbara Reynolds

Researcher and Administrative Support: Claude Emery (Library of Parliament), Anne Marleau (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

In May 1986, the Standing Senate Committee on Fisheries was created to deal exclusively with fisheries matters. Previously, these were the purview of the Standing Senate Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry. Over the past 14 years, this Committee has concentrated its efforts on conducting major studies on various aspects of Canada's fisheries industry. There have been reports on the marketing of freshwater fish (1986, 1987, 1989); lobster (1991); the Atlantic commercial inshore fishery (1993); the Atlantic groundfish fishery (1995) and privatization and quota licensing (1998). During the past fiscal year, the Fisheries Committee studied the Estimates of Fisheries and Oceans Canada as well as conducting a follow-up to its earlier study on privatization and quota licensing. It also began a special study on aquaculture and community- based fisheries management. As a significant portion of fisheries policy is implemented through regulations, the Committee does not receive much proposed legislation.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Fourth	Bill C-27 (Coastal Fisheries Protection Act)	1999-05-13	9	Bill reported without amendment but with an observation
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-25	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Examination of matters relating to the fishing industry	2000-02-08	-	Budget

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	16	23.3	45	3
1998-99	25	45.0	46	2
1997-98	7	11.1	12	2
1996-97	10	14.2	12	1
1995-96	8	13.2	10	1

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $58,128
Witnesses: $ 2,558

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Stewart (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Andreychuk (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Andreychuk, Bacon, Bolduc, Carney, Corbin, De Bané, Doody, Grafstein, *Graham (or Carstairs), *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), MacDonald, Stewart, Stollery, Whelan

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Di Nino, Forrestall, Losier-Cool, Robertson, Robichaud F.

Committee Clerk: Line Gravel

Researcher and Administrative Support: Peter Berg (Library of Parliament), Louise Archambeault (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Stewart (Lib) (until 11/19/99)
The Honourable Senator Stollery (Lib)

Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Andreychuk (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Andreychuk, Atkins, Bolduc, *Boudreau (or Hays), Carney, Corbin, De Bané, Di Nino, Grafstein, Lewis, Losier-Cool, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Stewart, Stollery

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Christensen, Finnerty, Furey, Graham, Kenny, Perry, Poy, Robichaud F., Taylor

Committee Clerk: Line Gravel

Researcher and Administrative Support: Peter Berg (Library of Parliament), Louise Archambeault (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

According to the *Rules of the Senate,* the Standing Senate Committee on Foreign Affairs deals with matters relating to foreign and commonwealth relations generally, including: treaties and international agreements; external trade; foreign aid; defence and territorial and offshore matters. It dates from 1938 when the Senate agreed to establish a Committee on External

Relations in order to contribute to the debate on the political instability in Europe. Following the major 1968 revision of the Senate rules, the newly renamed Committee on International Affairs began to undertake major studies on topical issues, a practice that continues today. Over the years, the Committee has released significant reports on the Caribbean (1969- 1970); the Pacific region (1970- 1972); the European Community (1972- 1973); Canada- US Relations (1976-1982); the Middle East (1984-1986); International Financial Institutions and the Debt problem of Developing Countries (1987); the Free Trade Agreement (1988- 1990); NAFTA (1991- 1993); Free Trade in the Americas (1995); European Integration (1996); and the Asia-Pacific region (1997-1998).

During the 1999- 2000 fiscal year, the Committee continued its work on two major studies, the first on the consequences for Canada of the emerging European monetary Union, and the second on Canada's role in NATO since the end of the Cold War. The final report on the former study was tabled in November 1999, while the latter was tabled in April 2000.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Eleventh	Ramifications to Canada of the changed mandate of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)	1999-05-04	-	Procedural Guidelines for the Financial Operations
Twelfth	The consequences for Canada of the emerging European Monetary Union	1999-05-04	-	Procedural Guidelines for the Financial Operations
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-02	-	Expenses during the previous session
Second	The consequences for Canada of the emerging European Monetary Union	1999-11-02	-	Financial Guidelines for the Financial Operations
Third	Canada's relation with NATO and peacekeeping	1999-11-02	-	Financial Guidelines for the Financial Operations

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
Fourth	The consequences for Canada of the emerging European Monetary Union	1999-11-17	5	Final entitled "Europe Revisited: Consequences of Increased European Integration For Canada"
Fifth	Bill C-4 (Cooperation on the Civil International Space Station).	1999-12-09	-	Bill reported without amendment
Fifth **(Revised)**	Bill C-4 (Cooperation on the Civil International Space Station)	1999-12-14	12	Bill reported without amendment but with observations
Sixth	Bill S-3 (double taxation and the prevention of fiscal evasion with respect to taxes on income)	1999-12-09	4	Bill reported without amendment

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	29	60.6	56	9
1998-99	32	47.9	72	5
1997-98	18	27.8	54	8
1996-97	32	69.3	98	5
1995-96	24	36.3	28	3

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 182,012
Witnesses: $ 14,913

INTERNAL ECONOMY, BUDGETS AND ADMINISTRATION

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Rompkey (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Nolin (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Atkins, Callbeck, De Bané, DeWare, Di Nino, *Graham (or Carstairs), Kinsella, LeBreton, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella,), Maheu, Nolin, Poulin, Robichaud F., Rompkey, Stollery, Taylor, Wood

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Bryden, Forrestall, Maloney, Milne,

Losier-Cool

Committee Clerk: Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate)
Recording Secretary: Gary O'Brien

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Rompkey (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Nolin (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): *Boudreau (or Hays), Cohen, De Bané, DeWare, Forrestall, Kelly, Kenny, Kroft, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Maheu, Milne, Nolin, Poulin, Robichaud F., Rompkey, Rossiter, Stollery

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Comeau, Gill, Taylor

Committee Clerk: Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate)

Recording Secretary: Gary O'Brien

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration has a mandate to consider all matters of a financial or administrative nature relating to the internal management of the Senate. It reviews and authorizes the applications of committees and sets guidelines and policies on items such as Senators' travel and budget expenditures. It also presents the Estimates of the Senate for approval. Under the *Rules of the Senate* , this Committee is authorized to carry out its mandate on its own initiative rather than being dependent on an order of reference from the Senate.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Thirty-third	Rule 86 (g)	1999-05-06	-	Senators Travel Policy
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-25	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Rule 86 (g)	1999-12-09	-	Committee budget for the financial year 1999-2000 submitted to and approved by the Internal Economy Committee, your Committee be authorized to release no more than 6/12 of those approved funds until February 10, 2000
Third	Rule 86 (g)	1999-12-16	-	Appointment of Gary O'Brien as Deputy Clerk and Principal Clerk of Legislative Services

Fourth	Rule 86 (g)	2000-02-24	-	Supplementary Estimates 1999-2000
Fifth	Rule 86 (g)	2000-02-24	-	Main Estimates 2000-2001
Sixth	Rule 86 (g)	2000-02-29	-	Committee budget for fiscal year 2000-2001

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	14	24.4	2	7
1998-99	19	39.2	3	15
1997-98	19	30.1	-	19
1996-97	15	35.1	-	13
1995-96	11	11.8	8	27

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Total Expenditures: $ 75
Witnesses: NIL

LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Milne (Lib)
Acting Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Nolin (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Beaudoin, Cogger, Doyle, Gigantès, *Graham (or Carstairs), Jessiman, Lewis, Losier- Cool, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Milne, Moore, Nolin, Pearson, Watt

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Andreychuk, Bryden, Buchanan, Eyton, Fraser, Grafstein, Joyal, Pépin, Robichaud F.

Committee Clerk: Heather Lank

Researcher and Administrative Support: Nancy Holmes (Library of Parliament), Colette Charlebois (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Milne (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Beaudoin (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Andreychuk, *Boudreau (or Hays), Cools, Fraser, Ghitter, Joyal, Kelleher, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Milne, Moore, Nolin, Pearson, Poy

Other Senators who served on the Committee: Buchanan, Johnson, Rivest

Committee Clerk: Heather Lank (April – December), Till Heyde (January – March)

Researcher and Administrative Support: Nancy Holmes (Library of Parliament), Colette Charlebois (Administrative Assistant, April – December), Mirella Agostini (Administrative Assistant, January – March)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs first met on February 13, 1969. It was, in some ways, the successor to the Standing Committee on Divorce which, before the *Divorce Act* of 1968 established by public law a divorce procedure, had dealt with an increasing number of private applications for divorce. The Divorce Committee remained in existence for the 1st and 2nd Sessions of the 28th Parliament, but by the prorogation of the 28th Parliament, on 16 February 1972, the Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee was the sole Senate Committee with a mandate to examine juridical matters.

Under the *Rules of the Senate* , the Committee has responsibility for legal and constitutional matters generally, including: federal- provincial relations; administration of justice, law reform and all matters related thereto; the judiciary; all essentially juridical matters; and private bills not otherwise specifically assigned to another committee, including those related to marriage and divorce.

The Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee has historically been one of the busiest committees and the 1999-2000 fiscal year was no exception. Because of its heavy workload with legislation, the Committee rarely undertakes special studies, but recently it began a special study on sentencing in Canada.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Twenty-fourth	Proposals to correct certain anomalies, inconsistencies	1999-05-13	9	Proposals reported without amendment, including the changes tabled with the Committee by the Dept. of Justice
Twenty-fifth	Bill C-79 (Criminal Code, victims of crime)	1999-06-10	11	Bill reported without amendment
Twenty-sixth	Bill C-82 (Criminal Code – impaired driving and related matters)	1999-06-16	3	Bill reported without amendment
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-24	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Bill C-7	1999-11-30	2	Bill reported with

	(Criminal Records Act)			amendments
Third	Bill S-10 (Criminal Code)	1999-12-16	25	Bill reported with two amendments
Fourth	Bill C-2, (Election of members to the House of Commons)	2000-02-03	29	Bill reported without amendment

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	31	39.9	85	7
1998-99	49	87.2	132	17
1997-98	38	81.1	153	13
1996-97	65	128.7	288	21
1995-96	61	142.4	257	11

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 2,779
Witnesses: $ 7,324

NATIONAL FINANCE
(see also the Subcommittee on Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness)

Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Stratton (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Cools (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bolduc, Cools, Eyton, Ferretti Barth, Forest, *Graham (or Carstairs), Lavoie-Roux, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Mercier, Moore, Poulin, St. Germain, Sparrow, Stratton

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators Cook, Gill, Grimard, Johnstone, Mahovlich, Nolin, Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Denis Robert

Researcher and Administrative Support: Guy Beaumier (Library of Parliament), Marie Jak (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Murray, P.C., (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Cools (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bolduc, *Boudreau (or Hays), Cools, Doody, Finestone, Finnerty, Ferretti Barth, Kinsella, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Mahovlich, Moore, Murray, Perry, Stratton

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senator Tkachuk

Committee Clerk: Luc Bégin

Researcher and Administrative Support: Guy Beaumier (Library of Parliament), Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance was first created in May 1919 under the name of the Committee on Finance and in 1968 it became the Committee on National Finance. It deals with government spending, either directly through the Estimates or indirectly through bills such as those that provide borrowing authority, authorize statutory expenditure, restrain government spending, effect transfers to provinces, establish and reorganize government departments, amend the *Financial Administration Act* – in short, bills that bear upon the spending proposals identified in the Estimates. It also has a mandate to examine the report of the Auditor General.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Fifteenth	Bill C-71 (Provisions of the budget tabled in Parliament on February 16, 1999)	1999-06-03	2	Bill reported without amendment
Sixteenth	Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2000	1999-06-10	8	Interim report
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-24	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Supplementary Estimates (A) 1999-2 000.	1999-12-02	2	Substantive
Third	Supplementary Estimates (B) 1999-2000	2000-03-23	3	Substantive

Fourth	Main Estimates 1999-2000	2000-03-23	-	Substantive
Fifth	Main Estimates 2000-2001	2000-03-23	-	Substantive

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	10	16.9	26	7
1998-99	27	54.4	91	10
1997-98	10	12.2	20	5
1996-97	23	33.0	65	6
1995-96	22	31.6	77	11

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: NIL
Witnesses: NIL

CANADA'S EMERGENCY AND DISASTER PREPAREDNESS (Subcommittee)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Stratton (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Fraser (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on National Finance): Bolduc, Cook, Cools, Ferretti Barth, Fraser, *Graham (or Carstairs), Lavoie-Roux, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Stratton

Other Senator who served on the Committee: -

Committee Clerk: Denis Robert
Administrative Support: Marie Jak (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

In 1999, the Standing Senate Committee on National Finance created the Subcommittee on Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness, with a mandate to study and examine disaster and emergency readiness and preparedness in Canada and matters related to National Defence expenditures, as set out in the Main Estimates 1999-2000. In addition to hearing testimony during six meetings, several Senators undertook private fact-finding visits to augment the information received during formal meetings.

The work of the Subcommittee was overtaken by the prorogation of the First Session of this Parliament and the Subcommittee was not resurrected. However, in the 2000-2001 fiscal year, the Standing Senate Committee on

National Finance decided to complete the study and subsequently issued a report in June 2000.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

The Subcommittee on Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness reports to the Standing Committee on National Finance

D. Activities of the Committee

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	6	9,9	19

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 9,061
Witnesses: $ 1,749

PRIVILEGES, STANDING RULES AND ORDERS

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Maheu (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Robertson (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bosa, Corbin, Doyle, Grafstein, *Graham (or Carstairs), Grimard, Kelly, Lewis, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Maheu, Marchand, Milne, Pearson, Petten, Robertson, Rossiter

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Adams, Andreychuk, Atkins, Bacon, Beaudoin, Butts, Bryden, Cook, Cools, De Ware, Joyal, Kenny, Kroft, Maloney, Sparrow, Stollery

Committee Clerk: Gary O'Brien

Researcher and Administrative Support: Jamie Robertson (Library of Parliament), Diane Pugliese (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Austin (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Grimard (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Austin, Bacon, Beaudoin, *Boudreau (or Hays), DeWare, Gauthier, Ghitter, Grafstein, Grimard, Joyal, Kelly, Kroft, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Maheu, Pépin, Robichaud L., Rossiter

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Carstairs, Corbin, Di Nino, Losier-Cool, Perry, Robichaud, F.

Committee Clerk: Gary O'Brien

Researcher and Administrative Support: Jamie Robertson (Library of Parliament), Diane Pugliese (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders was first established in 1968 under the name of the Committee on Rules and Orders. It received its present name in 1991. This Committee has a mandate on its own initiative to propose, from time to time, amendments to the rules for consideration by the Senate. Upon reference from the Senate, it examines and reports on any questions of privilege. Finally, it considers the orders and customs of the Senate and privileges of Parliament.

During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, the Committee issued six reports dealing with the restructuring Senate committees, the suspension of certain rules, and a question of privilege regarding the length of bells prior to voting. In addition, the Committee began consideration of three questions of privilege, two dealing with "leaked" reports and one with intimidation of witnesses.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Tenth	Rule 86(1)(f)	1999-05-06	-	Concerning the Moravian Church of America
Eleventh	Rule 86(1)(f)	1999-06-02	-	Restructuring of Senate Committees
Twelfth	Rule 86(1)(f)	1999-06-16	-	Question of Privilege
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-24	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Rule 108	1999-11-24	-	Recommends the suspension of Rules 106 in connection with a proposed private bill entitled: An Act to amend the Act of incorporation of the Board of Elders of the Canadian Districts of the Moravian Church in America"
Third	Rule 92(2)	1999-11-24	-	*In camera* meetings for the purpose of hearing witnesses

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	19	25.4	10	6
1998-99	17	23.1	-	5
1997-98	12	16.0	1	4
1996-97	2	1.5	-	0
1995-96	4	4.3	-	2

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 3,604
Witnesses: NIL

SELECTION

Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: Vacant
Deputy Chair: -

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Atkins, Corbin, DeWare, Fairbairn, *Graham (or Carstairs), Hébert, Kinsella, Lewis, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Phillips, Stanbury

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Grafstein, Mercier, Pépin, Robichaud L.

Committee Clerk: Gary O'Brien
Administrative Support: Diane Puglièse (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Mercier (Lib)
Deputy Chair: -

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Atkins, Austin, *Boudreau (or Hays), DeWare, Fairbairn, Grafstein, Kinsella, Kirby, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Mercier, Murray

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Fraser, Milne, Stollery

Committee Clerk: Gary O'Brien, October to December
Heather Lank, January to March
Administrative Support: Diane Pugliese, (Administrative Assistant, October to December)
Colette Charlebois (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

At the commencement of each session, a Committee of Selection is appointed to undertake two functions: the nomination of a Speaker *pro tempore* and the nomination of Senators to serve on select committees.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 85(1)(b)	1999-10-13	-	Senators nominated to serve on the Transport and Communication
Second	Rule 85(1)(b)	1999-10-13	-	Senator nominated to serve on the Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs
Third	Rule 85(1)(b)	1999-11-02	-	Committee has not decided on nomination for Speaker *pro tempore*
Fourth	Rule 85(1)(b)	1999-11-03	-	Senators nominated to serve on several select committees
Fifth	Rule 85(1)(b)	1999-11-17	-	Committee nominates the Honourable Senator Losier-Cool as Speaker *pro tempore*

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	4	0.9	-	5
1998-99	0	0	0	0
1997-98	4	0.6	-	5
1996-97	1	0.1	-	1
1995-96	4	1.3	-	5

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Total Expenditures: NIL
Witnesses: NIL

SOCIAL AFFAIRS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

(see also the Subcommittee on Veterans Affairs)
(see also the Subcommittee to update "Of Life and Death")

Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Murray (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Butts (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bonnell, Bosa, Cohen, Cools, Forest, *Graham (or Carstairs), Haidasz, Lavoie-Roux, LeBreton, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Maheu, Murray, Pépin, Phillips

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Balfour, Bryden, Butts, Doody, Ferretti Barth, Gill, Johnstone, Maloney, Poy, Robichaud F., Ruck

Committee Clerk: Catherine Piccinin
Researcher and Administrative Support: Debbie Pizzoferrato (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Kirby (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator LeBreton (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): *Boudreau (or Hays), Callbeck, Carstairs, Cohen, Cook, Di Nino, Fairbairn, Gill, Kirby, Lavoie-Roux, LeBreton, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Pépin, Robertson

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Beaudoin, Chalifoux, Corbin, Finestone, Keon, Maheu, Murray, Robichaud F., Roche, Rossiter, Taylor

Committee Clerk: Catherine Piccinin
Researcher and Administrative Support: Debbie Pizzoferrato (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology has responsibility for a broad range of subjects. Specifically, Rule 86(1)(m) of the *Rules of the Senate* states that the Committee may have referred to it matters relating to social affairs, science and technology, including: veterans affairs; Indian and Inuit affairs; cultural affairs and the arts; social and labour matters; health and welfare; pensions; housing; fitness and amateur sports; employment and immigration; consumer affairs; and youth affairs. The origins of the Committee date back to 1908 when a Standing Committee on Public Health and Inspection of Food was established by the Senate. In 1946 this committee was renamed the Committee on Public Health and Welfare. In 1968, substantial changes were made to the rules of the Senate and to the terms of reference outlined for the work of committees. As a consequence, a Committee on Health, Welfare and Science was established. At this time responsibility for labour legislation and aging was also given to the Committee. Finally, in 1983 the Committee was given its present name and terms of reference.

During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, the Committee continued its work begun in June 1998 on a major study of the "dimensions of social cohesion in Canada in the context of globalization and other economic and structural forces that influence trust and reciprocity among Canadians". A summary of its final report tabled in June 1999 is found on page 9. The Committee also embarked on a multi-phase, multi-faceted three-year study of the state of the health care system.

In addition, the Committee also examined five bills. In the case of Bill C-6, *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act,* prior to second reading the subject matter was referred with instructions to report back in two reports, one dealing with Part 1 of the bill and the other dealing with Parts 2 to 5. After second reading the bill itself was referred to the Committee.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Nineteenth	Dimensions of social cohesion	1999-05-06	-	Procedural Guidelines for the Financial Operations
Twentieth	Bill C-66 (National Housing Act)	1999-06-10	35	Bill reported without amendment but with observation
Twenty-first	Bill C-64 (indemnification program for travelling exhibitions)	1999-06-10	3	Bill reported without amendment
Twenty-second	Dimensions of social cohesion	1999-06-17	2	Final report entitled "Final report on Social Cohesion"
Twenty-third	Bill S-30 (Act of incorporation of the Board of Elders of Canadian District of the Moravian Church in America)	1999-09-09	1	Bill reported without amendment

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-30	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Subject matter of Bill C-6 (Support and promote electronic commerce by protecting personal information)	1999-12-06	-	Part 1
Third	Subject matter of Bill C-6 (Support and promote electronic commerce by protecting personal information)	1999-12-06	-	Parts 2 to 5
Fourth	Bill C-6 (Support and promote electronic commerce by protecting personal information)	1999-12-07	38	Bill reported with two amendments
Fifth	State of Health Care System	2000-02-29	-	Budget

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	26	40.2	95	10
1998-99	49	77.6	160	15
1997-98	20	38.7	74	8
1996-97	35	64.1	139	13
1995-96	22	28.3	63	7

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 29,183
Witnesses: $ 17,574

VETERANS AFFAIRS (Subcommittee)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Balfour (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Johnstone (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology): Bonnell, Cools, Forest, Jessiman, Phillips

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Balfour, Bryden, Cohen, Doody, Johnstone, LeBreton, Poy, Ruck, Robichaud F.

Committee Clerk: Barbara Reynolds

Researcher and Administrative Support: Anne Marleau (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

One of the major areas of interest of the Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology has been that of veterans' affairs. In 1984, it approved the establishment of a subcommittee to deal with this subject, a decision that has been repeated in subsequent sessions and parliaments. Over the years, a number of special studies have been undertaken on veterans' pensions and benefits, media productions on war-related themes, and the Canadian War Museum. During 1998 and 1999, the Subcommittee examined the health care of veterans and Canadian Service persons, issuing a final report, *Raising the Bar: Creating A New Standard in Veterans Health Care* , in February 1999. Following the retirement in March 1999 of its chair, the Honourable Orville Phillips, the Subcommittee elected the Honourable James Balfour as chair and began preliminary work for a study on veterans' benefits.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	2	0.7	-
1998-99	5	5.6	8
1997-98	17	39.4	89
1996-97	5	11.8	28
1995-96	7	13.1	24

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: NIL
Witnesses: NIL

TO UPDATE "OF LIFE AND DEATH" (Subcommittee)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

2nd session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Carstairs (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Beaudoin (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology): Carstairs, Kirby, Pépin, Beaudoin, Keon

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators Corbin, Robertson, Robichaud F, Roche

Committee Clerk: Heather Lank

Researcher and Administrative Support: Mollie Dunsmuir (Library of Parliament), Nancy Miller-Chénier (Library of Parliament), Colette Charlebois (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

In 1995, the Special Senate Committee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide tabled its landmark report entitled *Of Life and Death.* More than 10,000 copies of the report have been distributed, and it is used extensively in courses for physicians and other health professionals. In November 1999, a subcommittee of the Social Affairs, Science and Technology Committee was established to examine the unanimous recommendations pertaining to palliative care, pain control and sedation, withholding and withdrawal of life sustaining treatment, advance directives and research. The subcommittee was asked to report by June 2000.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

The Subcommittee to update "Of Life and Death" reports to the Standing Committee on Social Affairs, Science and Technology

Activities of the Committee:

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	10	20.2	45

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 844
Witnesses: $ 16,142

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS
(see also the Subcommittee on Communications, p. 70)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Poulin (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Forrestall (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, Atkins, Bacon, Buchanan, De Bané, Forrestall, *Graham (or Carstairs), Johnson, *Lynch- Staunton (or Kinsella), Mercier, Maloney, Perrault, Poulin, Roberge, Rompkey

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Butts, Callbeck, Fairbairn, Fitzpatrick, Grafstein, Grimard, Joyal, LeBreton, Maheu, Milne, Moore, Murray, Pearson, Robichaud F., Robichaud L., Spivak, Stewart

Committee Clerk: Michel Patrice

Researcher and Administrative Support: Terrence Thomas (Library of Parliament), Josée Thérien (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Bacon (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Forrestall (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, Bacon, *Boudreau (or Hays), Callbeck, Finestone, Forrestall, Johnson, Kirby, LeBreton, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Perrault, Poulin, Roberge, Spivak

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Andreychuk, Chritensen, Cook, De Bané, DeWare, Fairbairn, Finnerty, Hervieux-Payette, Kroft, Losier-Cool, Maheu, Milne, Oliver, Sibbeston, Taylor, Watt

Committee Clerk : Michel Patrice

Researcher and Administrative Support: Terrence Thomas (Library of Parliament), Josée Thérien (Administrative Assistant, October – December), Lyne Héroux (Administrative Assistant, January – March)

B. General Information

The Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications is one of the oldest committees of the Senate. It was first created in 1867 under the name of Banking, Commerce and Railways Committee. In 1870 this committee was divided into the Committee on Banking and Commerce and the Committee on Railways, Telegraphs and Harbors. Later, in 1945 it became the Committee on Transport and Communications so that it could handle all matters pertaining to transport and communications, including radio, airways and other related subjects. Currently, this Committee is responsible for transport and communications by land, air, water, and space, whether by radio, telephone, telegraph, wire, cable, microwave, wireless, television, satellite, broadcasting, postal communications or any other form, method or means of communications or transport; tourist traffic; common carriers; and navigation, shipping and navigable waters.

In spring 1999, the Committee devoted considerable time to a detailed study of Bill C-55. This legislation would prohibit foreign publishers from supplying advertising services directly at the Canadian market to a Canadian advertiser. In fall 1999, the Committee conducted a major study on the airline industry, concentrating on the restructuring of Canada's two main airline companies.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Twelfth	Bill C-55 (Act respecting advertising services supplied by foreign periodical publishers).	1999-05-31	49	Bill reported with 3 amendments
Thirteenth	Canada's positioning within the world's technological revolution	1999-06-07	33	Final Report entitled "Wired to Win"
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-11-17	-	Expenses during the previous session
Second	Canada's Transportation Act	1999-12-09	52	Review
Third	Canada's Transportation Act	1999-12-15	-	Budget

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	27	56.3	104	4
1998-99	11	30.2	95	6
1997-98	21	44.1	174	9
1996-97	14	19.6	67	7
1995-96	25	51.3	117	4

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 24,537
Witnesses: $ 4,697

COMMUNICATIONS (Subcommittee)

A. **Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000**

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Poulin (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Spivak (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Transport and Communication): Finestone, *Graham (or Carstairs), Johnson, Kirby, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Poulin, Spivak

Other Senators who served on the Committee: -

Committee Clerk: Michel Patrice

Researcher and Administrative Support: Terrence Thomas (Library of Parliament), Josée Thérien (Administrative Assistant)

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2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Poulin (Lib)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Spivak (PC)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee on Transport and Communication) : Finestone, *Graham (or Carstairs), Johnoson, Kirby, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Poulin, Spivak

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: DeWare, Hervieux-Payette, Kroft, Maheu

Committee Clerk: Catherine Piccinin

Researcher and Administrative Support : Terrence Thomas (Library of Parliament), Debbie Pizzoferrato

B. General Information

In April 1996, the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications decided to establish a Subcommittee on Communications which would concentrate on issues relating specifically to the communications sector. Similar subcommittees have been established ever since.

The Subcommittee has undertaken a multi- phase study of Canada's competitive position in the international communications market, including a review of the economic, social and cultural importance of communications for Canada. Following an interim report in April 1997, the final report was tabled in May 1999. A description of the findings and recommendations is found on page 16.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

The Subcommittee on Communications reports to the Standing Committee on Transport and Communications

D. Activities of the Committee:

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses
1999-00	2	1.0	-
1998-99	13	16.5	28
1997-98	7	9.8	15
1996-97	13	21.0	46

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 9,330
Witnesses: NIL

LIBRARY OF PARLIAMENT (Joint)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Robichaud, L. (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Bolduc, Corbin, DeWare, Doyle, Gigantès, Grafstein, Robichaud L.

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Grimard, Kroft, Losier-Cool, Poy

Joint Committee Clerk: Catherine Piccinin

Administrative Support: Debbie Pizzoferrato (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Robichaud, L. (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Atkins, Finnerty, Grafstein, Grimard, Poy, Robichaud L., Ruck

Other Senators who served on the Committee:

Joint Committee Clerk: Gary Levy

Administrative Support: Lise Bouchard (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Joint Committee's mandate is to assist the Speaker of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Commons in directing and controlling the Library of Parliament; and to make recommendations regarding the operation of the Library and the proper expenditure of monies voted by Parliament for the purchase of books, maps and other articles. The Library also has responsibility for the guide program and tours of Parliament.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
First	Rule 104	1999-12-08	-	Expenses of previous session

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	2	1.6	2	1
1998-99	2	1.1	4	1
1997-98	3	3.3	1	1
1996-97	-	-	-	-
1995-96	5	4.3	11	-

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: NIL
Witnesses: NIL

OFFICIAL LANGUAGES (Joint)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Losier-Cool (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Beaudoin, Gauthier, Kinsella, Losier-Cool, Pépin, Rivest, Robichaud L., Robichaud F., Simard

Other Senator who served on the Committee : The Honourable Senator Fraser

Joint Committee Clerk: Tõnu Onu

Administrative Support: Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Losier-Cool (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Beaudoin, Fraser, Gauthier, Losier-Cool, Meighen, Pépin, Rivest, Robichaud L.

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Ferretti Barth, Finestone, Hervieux-Payette, Maheu

Joint Committee Clerk: Luc Bégin
Administrative Support: Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The *Official Languages Act* that was passed by Parliament in 1969 states that the administration of this Act, any regulations and directives made under this Act and the reports of the Commissioner, the President of the Treasury Board and the Secretary of State of Canada made under this Act shall be reviewed on a permanent basis by such committee of the Senate, of the House of Commons or of both Houses of Parliament as may be designated or established for that purpose. This work is carried out by the Joint Committee on Official Languages.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-12-08	-	Expenses from previous session
Second	Permanent	1999-12-14	-	Recognition of Ottawa as a bilingual city

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	11	16.7	25	2
1998-99	17	23.1	32	-
1997-98	8	11.1	5	2
1996-97	19	20.9	25	2
1995-96	12	17.2	22	1

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 245
Witnesses: NIL

SCRUTINY OF REGULATIONS (Joint)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Hervieux-Payette (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Cogger, Ferretti Barth, Grimard, Hervieux-Payette, Kelly, Lewis, Mercier, Moore

Other Senator who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senator Grafstein

Joint Committee Clerk: Tõnu Onu
Administrative Support: Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

2nd Session, 36th Parliament

Co-Chair: The Honourable Senator Hervieux-Payette (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Cochrane, Finestone, Furey, Grimard, Hervieux-Payette, Moore, Perry, Rivest

Other Senators who served on the Committee: The Honourable Senators: Andreychuk, Losier-Cool, Maheu

Joint Committee Clerk: Jill Anne Joseph
Administrative Support: Kae Schade (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The Joint Committee's mandate is defined by the *Statutory Instruments Act* which authorizes it to review and scrutinize certain statutory instruments made after January 1, 1972. In addition to its statutory order of reference, since 1980 the Senate and the House of Commons have renewed an order of reference at the beginning of each session authorizing the Joint Committee to study the means by which Parliament can better oversee and control the government regulatory process. Therefore, taken together, the statutory and sessional references of the Committee provide it with a broad jurisdiction to enquire into and report on most aspects of the federal regulatory process.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

Report Number	Order of Reference	Date Y-M-D	No. of Witnesses	Content
1st Session, 36th Parliament				
Fifth	Permanent	1999-05-13	-	Budget
Sixth	Permanent	1999-06-03	-	Indian Act
Sixth "A"	Permanent	1999-06-15	-	Approval of funds Sydney, Australia
2nd Session, 36th Parliament				
First	Rule 104	1999-12-09	-	Expenses from previous session

D. Activities of the Committee: A Five Year Comparison, 1995-1999

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	9	12.8	11	2
1998-99	14	18.2	9	3
1997-98	10	11.3	4	2
1996-97	24	36.2	31	5
1995-96	11	8.9	1	1

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 77,141
Witnesses: NIL

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND SECURITY (Special)

(Established in June 1998)

A. Committee Memberships for Fiscal Year 1999-2000

1st Session, 36th Parliament

Chair: The Honourable Senator Forrestall (PC)
Deputy Chair: The Honourable Senator Adams (Lib)

The Honourable Senators (as nominated by the Committee of Selection): Adams, Bacon, Fitzpatrick, Forrestall, *Graham (or Carstairs), Johnson, *Lynch-Staunton (or Kinsella), Mercier, Roberge

Committee Clerk: Tõnu Onu

Researcher and Administrative Support: John Christopher (Library of Parliament), Louise Pronovost (Administrative Assistant)

B. General Information

The study of transportation safety in Canada grew out of an idea proposed by then Senator Keith Davey in the early 1990s to do a comprehensive study on highway transportation safety. Using this idea as a base, the Senate Committee on Transport and Communications decided in October 1996 to establish a subcommittee to undertake a broad-based study on the state of safety and security throughout all modes of transportation. The subcommittee began its work, holding hearings in Canada and travelling to Washington and Europe to obtain comparative data. In June 1998, the Senate agreed to establish a Special Committee on Transportation Safety to continue this examination. Its interim report was completed in January 1999. Then, it began intensive study of air safety issues, holding hearings in Ottawa and travelling to Montreal, Western Canada and Seattle, Washington. The 1st Session of the 36th Parliament was prorogued before the Special Committee could issue its report. The Special Committee was not reestablished in the 2nd Session, but the issue was once again referred to the Transport and Communication Committee for consideration.

C. Reports to the Senate in 1999-2000

NIL

D. Activities of the Committee:

Fiscal Year	No. of Meetings	No. of Hours	No. of Witnesses	No. of Reports
1999-00	5	8.9	11	1
1998-99	1	2.0	-	-
1997-98	10	11.3	16	-
1996-97	15	45.4	97	-

E. Expenditures for Fiscal Year 1999-2000
(For more details see Part III of this Report)

Budget Expenditures: $ 9,722
Witnesses: $ 76

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COMMITTEE EXPENDITURES

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Meetings and Expenditures, 1995-1999

	1995-1996		1996-1997		1997-1998		1998-1999		1999-2000	
	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$
Total Senate Committees	373	860,536	412	1,021,936	346	796,384	527	1,958,456.22	335	603,496
Witness Expenses Pursuant to Rule 104		107,911.85		95,565		142,315		297,147.99		273,986
Total		968,447.85		1,117,501		938,699		2,255,604.21		877,482

DETAILED COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 1999-2000

Explanation of Standard Categories

The following table provides a detailed account of each Committee's budget and actual expenditures according to seven standard categories.

- **Committee Travel** (Including travel expenses when on travel status, interpretation, reporting, transcribing, translation, and sound reinforcement equipment)
- **Registration fees** (conferences)
- **Professional Services** (research assistance, expert advisors, and legal services)
- **Hospitality** (meeting room coffee for travelling committees, working meals). The Senate Policy on Hospitality was adopted by the Senate on May 1st, 1990 (Thirty-eighth report of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration)
- **Rental** (Related to travel, includes meeting rooms and office equipment)
- **Miscellaneous** (courier services, rental of equipment, books and newspapers, office supplies, telecommunications, advertising, printing)
- **Videoconferencing**

DETAILED COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 1999 - 2000 BY BUDGET CATEGORY

Name of Committee	Total Budget	Committee Travel	Registration Fees	Prof. Services	Rental	Hospitality	Misc.	Video Conf.	Total Expenditures
Aboriginal Peoples – Legislation	1,800					1,213			**1,213**
Aboriginal Peoples – Self Governance Study	96,532	6,428	600	79,607		2,129	217		**88,981**
Agriculture and Forestry – Study on Agriculture	5,839	2,958		2,100		690	90		**5,838**
Boreal Forest - Study on Forestry	19,241	2,705		15,000		235	1,301		**19,241**
Banking, Trade & Commerce - Financial Systems Study	107,742	23,843		4,849	1,637	5,761	7,500		**43,591**
Energy – Legislation	15,114	328		10,000		786	67		**11,182**
Energy - Study on Energy Issues	41,037	19,137	7,220			432			**26,789**
Fisheries - Study on Fishing Industry	84,724	47,092		2,324	225	4,653	799	3,035	**58,128**
Foreign Affairs – Legislation	876						876		**876**
Foreign Affairs – European Monetary Union Study	6,500								**0**
Foreign Affairs - Canada-NATO Study	194,379	144,438	958	33,000		2,063	678		**181,136**
Internal Economy	10,000					75			**75**
Legal & Constitutional Affairs – Legislation	31,049		450	240		1,554	535		**2,779**
Library of Parliament (Joint)	0								**0**
National Finance – Study on Canada's Emergency And Disaster Preparedness	9,061	6,601	1,999			461			**9,061**
Official Languages (Joint)	0					245			**245**
Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders	6,447					3,604			**3,604**

Scrutiny of Regulations (Joint)	73,749	16,228	210	40,448	459	375	19,421		**77,141**
Social Affairs – Legislation	6,000					570			**570**
Social Affairs - Study to update "Of Life and Death"	7,890					829	15		**844**
Social Affairs - Study of Health Care System	10,000			5,400					**5,400**
Social Affairs – Study of Social Cohesion	23,213			22,398		815			**23,213**
Transport – Legislation	32,457			4,893		2,344			**7,237**
Transport - Study on Transport Safety	9,719	3,114		6,100		508			**9,722**
Transport - Study on Internat. Competitive Position	9330			9,000			330		**9,330**
Transport - Review of Order 47(5)	19,900			16,303		997			**17,300**
TOTAL	**822,599**	**272,872**	**11,436**	**251,664**	**2,321**	**30,340**	**31,828**	**3,035**	**603,496**

PART IV

PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, 1999-2000
(SENATE SHARE 30% OF COSTS)

Name of Association	Total Budget ($)	Contributions	Travel Members	Travel Others	Prof. Services	Reg. Fees	Hospitality	Official Gifts	MembershipRevenue	Misc. Expenses	Total Expenditures
Canada– OSCE	35,473	27,500	25,913	5,089	2,700	-	658	-	-	40	61,900
Canada– Europe	114,411	-	60,218	18,568	4,275	498	8,779	721	(732)	1,828	94,155
Canada– France	53,367	-	13,434	4,058	-	-	6,808	412	(366)	721	25,067
Inter-Parliamentary Union	78,501	58,621	27,732	11,362	6,720	-	1,236	924	(480)	1,193	107,308
N.A.T.O.	75,696	57,500	64,501	14,247	-	-	972	51	(738)	79	136,611
Canada– Japan	38,722	-	-	36,198	-	-	707	438	(438)	2,600	39,505
Canada– United States	31,422	-	-	25,383	-		6,428	108	(594)	112	31,437
APF	59,588	-	-	42,685	395		21,026	5,477	(501)	20,164	95,160
CPA	70,485	10,392	-	16,174	-	600	3,760	184	(683)	331	30,757
Canada– China	32,993	-	-	7,906	397	-	3,469	62	(474)	95	11,454
Canada– United Kingdom	19,810	-	-	6,429	-		1,154	87	(453)	-	7,216
TOTAL	**$610,468**	**$154,013**	**$191,798**	**$188,098**	**$791**	**$6,514**	**$54,998**	**$8,463**	**($5,459)**	**$27,163**	**$640,571**

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS ADMINISTERED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEES DIRECTORATE 1999-2000

North Atlantic Assembly (NATO)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Spring Session	Warsaw	Poland	May 27-31, 1999
Subcommittee on Future of the Armed Forces	Ankara, Istanbul	Turkey	June 27-30, 1999
Annual Tour	Halifax, Montreal, Ottawa, Edmonton, Cold Lake	Canada	August 7-15, 1999
Subcommittee on the Future of the Armed Forces	Rome, Pisa, La Spezia	Italy	September 27-30, 1999
45th Annual Session	Amsterdam	Netherlands	November 11-15, 1999
Meeting of the Defense Committee	Washington D.C., Southern California	United States of America	February 1-8, 2000
Meeting of the Joint-Committees on Defense and Security, Economic and Political	Brussels	Belgium	February 18-22, 2000
Meeting of the Economic Committee	Paris	France	February 22-23, 2000

Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
101st Inter-Parliamentary Conference	Brussels	Belgium	April 10-16, 1999
Meeting of the Asia Pacific Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Ulaanbaatar	Mongolia	July 26-31, 1999
102nd Inter-Parliamentary Conference	Berlin	Germany	October 9-16, 1999
Meeting of the MPs Attending the 54th Session of the UN General Assembly	New York	United States of America	October 25-27, 1999
Meeting of the Steering Committee Members of 12+ Group	San Marino	Italy	February 1-6, 2000

Canada-Europe (CDA-EUROPE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Conference on "Multi-level Governance in Federal Systems: The Role of Regional and Local Authorities in Canada and Europe"	Ottawa	Canada	April 19, 1999
Second Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Strasbourg	France	April 24 - May 1, 1999

Meeting of the Environment Committee of the Council of Europe	Paris	France	May 19-22, 1999
Preparatory meeting to the OECD Debate and Third Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Paris, Strasbourg	France	June 16-25, 1999
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Murmansk	Russia	August 24-26, 1999
Fourth Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Strasbourg	France	September 19-26, 1999
Visit to Canada of the Delegation of the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Ottawa, Quebec, Chicoutimi, Chibougamau, Timmins, Vancouver, Squamish	Canada	September 5-14, 1999
Seminar on "Social Policy for the New Millennium"	Ottawa	Canada	October 4, 1999
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Ottawa	Canada	November 22-23, 1999
Preparatory meeting to the EBRD Debate and First Part of the 2000 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	London, Strasbourg	United Kingdom, France	January 18-29, 2000
Dinner - Seminar with H.E. José M. Duarte De Jesus, Ambassador of Portugal	Ottawa	Canada	March 1, 2000
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Washington, D.C.	United States	March 8-9, 2000
24th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting between the European and Canadian Parliaments	Brussels	Belgium	March 18-25, 2000
Preparatory meeting to the OECD Debate and Second Part of the 2000 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Paris, Strasbourg	France	March 28-April 8, 2000

Canada-Europe (OSCE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
8th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly	St. Petersburg	Russia	July 6-10, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Second Parliamentary Conference: "Subregional Economic Cooperation Processes in Europe faced with the new challenges"	Nantes	France	October 13-15, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Expanded Bureau Meeting and OSCE Summit	Istanbul	Turkey	November 17-19, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Standing Committee Meeting	Vienna	Austria	January 13-14, 2000

Canada-France (CDA-FRANCE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Canada-France Day	Ottawa	Canada	May 10, 1999
49th International Congress of France-Canada Association	Moncton	Canada	August 12-15, 1999
29th Annual Meeting	Montreal/Laval, Ottawa, Vancouver, Victoria	Canada	September 8-15, 1999
Standing Committee Meeting	Paris	France	March 6-10, 2000

PART V

SENATE COMMITTEES AND PRIVATE LEGISLATION DIRECTORATE
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Clerks, Administrative Assistants and Support Staff, 1999-2000

Principal Clerk (April-December): Gary O'Brien **Admin. Assist.:** Diane Pugliese	**Principal Clerk (January-March):** Heather Lank **Admin. Assist.:** Colette Charlebois	**Deputy Principal Clerk:** Blair Armitage **Admin. Assist.:** Brigitte Martineau
Senate Committees	**Clerks**	**Administrative Assistants**
Aboriginal Peoples	Jill Anne Joseph	Kae Schade
Agriculture and Forestry	Blair Armitage	Brigitte Martineau
Boreal Forest (Subcom.)	Barbara Reynolds	Anne Marleau
Forestry (Subcom.)	Till Heyde	Mirella Agostini
Banking, Trade and Commerce	Gary Levy	Lise Bouchard
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources	Timothy Ross Wilson (April-August) Till Heyde (September-December) Michel Patrice (January-March)	Mirella Agostini (April-December) Lyne Héroux (January-April)
Fisheries	Barbara Reynolds	Anne Marleau
Foreign Affairs	Line Gravel	Louise Archambeault
Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration	Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate) Gary O'Brien (Recording Secretary)	Diane Pugliese
Legal and Constitutional Affairs	Heather Lank (April-December) Till Heyde (January-March)	Colette Charlebois (April-December) Mirella Agostini (January-March)
Library of Parliament (Joint)	Catherine Piccinin (April-September) Gary Levy (October-March)	Debbie Pizzoferrato (April-September) Lise Bouchard (October-March)
National Finance	Denis Robert (April-September) Luc Bégin (October-March)	Marie Jak (April-September) Louise Pronovost (October-March)

Emergency and Disaster Preparedness (Subcom.)	Denis Robert	Marie Jak
Official Languages (Joint)	Tõnu Onu (April-September) Luc Bégin (October-March)	Louise Pronovost
Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders	Gary O'Brien	Diane Pugliese
Selection	Gary O'Brien (April-December) Heather Lank (January-March)	Diane Pugliese (April-December) Colette Charlebois (January-March)
Scrutiny of Regulations(Joint)	Tõnu Onu (April-September) Jill Ann Joseph (October-March)	Louise Pronovost (April-September) Kae Schade (October-March)
Social Affairs, Science and Technology	Catherine Piccinin	Debbie Pizzoferrato
Veterans Affairs (Subcom.) **Of Life and Death (Subcom.)**	Barbara Reynolds Heather Lank	Anne Marleau Colette Charlebois
Transport and Communications	Michel Patrice	Josée Thérien (April-December) Lyne Héroux (January-March)
Communication (Subcom.)	Michel Patrice (April-September) Catherine Piccinin (October-March)	Josée Thérien (April-September) Debbie Pizzoferrato (October-March)
Transportation Safety (Special)	Tõnu Onu	Louise Pronovost
Legislative Clerk: Till Heyde (April-July) Josée Thérien (January-March)		
Statistical Coordinator: Sylvie Harmer	**General Support Clerk:** Marcel Madore	**Receptionist-Clerk:** Lyne Héroux (April-January) Aimé Legault (Febuary-March)
File Clerk: Roger Laframboise	**Student:** Philippe Brideau	**Messenger:** Pierre Fréchette
Webmaster: Chuck Zammar		

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	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$	Mtgs	$
Total Senate Committees	373	860,536	412	1,021,936	346	796,384	527	1,958,456.22	335	603,496
Witness Expenses Pursuant to Rule 104		107,911.85		95,565		142,315		297,147.99		273,986
Total		968,447.85		1,117,501		938,699		2,255,604.21		877,482

DETAILED COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 1999-2000

Explanation of Standard Categories

The following table provides a detailed account of each Committee's budget and actual expenditures according to seven standard categories.

- **Committee Travel** (Including travel expenses when on travel status, interpretation, reporting, transcribing, translation, and sound reinforcement equipment)
- **Registration fees** (conferences)
- **Professional Services** (research assistance, expert advisors, and legal services)
- **Hospitality** (meeting room coffee for travelling committees, working meals). The Senate Policy on Hospitality was adopted by the Senate on May 1st, 1990 (Thirty-eighth report of Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration)
- **Rental** (Related to travel, includes meeting rooms and office equipment)
- **Miscellaneous** (courier services, rental of equipment, books and newspapers, office supplies, telecommunications, advertising, printing)
- **Videoconferencing**

DETAILED COMMITTEE EXPENDITURE REPORT FOR 1999 - 2000 BY BUDGET CATEGORY

Name of Committee	Total Budget	Committee Travel	Registration Fees	Prof. Services	Rental	Hospitality	Misc.	Video Conf.	Total Expenditures
Aboriginal Peoples – Legislation	1,800					1,213			**1,213**
Aboriginal Peoples – Self Governance Study	96,532	6,428	600	79,607		2,129	217		**88,981**
Agriculture and Forestry – Study on Agriculture	5,839	2,958		2,100		690	90		**5,838**
Boreal Forest - Study on Forestry	19,241	2,705		15,000		235	1,301		**19,241**
Banking, Trade & Commerce - Financial Systems Study	107,742	23,843		4,849	1,637	5,761	7,500		**43,591**
Energy – Legislation	15,114	328		10,000		786	67		**11,182**
Energy - Study on Energy Issues	41,037	19,137	7,220			432			**26,789**
Fisheries - Study on Fishing Industry	84,724	47,092		2,324	225	4,653	799	3,035	**58,128**
Foreign Affairs – Legislation	876						876		**876**
Foreign Affairs – European Monetary Union Study	6,500								**0**
Foreign Affairs - Canada-NATO Study	194,379	144,438	958	33,000		2,063	678		**181,136**
Internal Economy	10,000					75			**75**
Legal & Constitutional Affairs – Legislation	31,049		450	240		1,554	535		**2,779**
Library of Parliament (Joint)	0								**0**
National Finance – Study on Canada's Emergency And Disaster Preparedness	9,061	6,601	1,999			461			**9,061**
Official Languages (Joint)	0					245			**245**
Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders	6,447					3,604			**3,604**

Scrutiny of Regulations (Joint)	73,749	16,228	210	40,448	459	375	19,421		**77,141**
Social Affairs – Legislation	6,000					570			**570**
Social Affairs - Study to update "Of Life and Death"	7,890					829	15		**844**
Social Affairs - Study of Health Care System	10,000			5,400					**5,400**
Social Affairs – Study of Social Cohesion	23,213			22,398		815			**23,213**
Transport – Legislation	32,457			4,893		2,344			**7,237**
Transport - Study on Transport Safety	9,719	3,114		6,100		508			**9,722**
Transport - Study on Internat. Competitive Position	9330			9,000			330		**9,330**
Transport - Review of Order 47(5)	19,900			16,303		997			**17,300**
TOTAL	**822,599**	**272,872**	**11,436**	**251,664**	**2,321**	**30,340**	**31,828**	**3,035**	**603,496**

PART IV

PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS, EXPENDITURES, 1999-2000 (SENATE SHARE 30% OF COSTS)

Name of Association	Total Budget ($)	Contributions	Travel Members	Travel Others	Prof. Services	Reg. Fees	Hospitality	Official Gifts	MembershipRevenue	Misc. Expenses	Total Expenditures
Canada– OSCE	35,473	27,500	25,913	5,089	2,700	-	658	-	-	40	61,900
Canada– Europe	114,411	-	60,218	18,568	4,275	498	8,779	721	(732)	1,828	94,155
Canada– France	53,367	-	13,434	4,058	-	-	6,808	412	(366)	721	25,067
Inter-Parliamentary Union	78,501	58,621	27,732	11,362	6,720	-	1,236	924	(480)	1,193	107,308
N.A.T.O.	75,696	57,500	64,501	14,247	-	-	972	51	(738)	79	136,611
Canada– Japan	38,722	-	-	36,198	-	-	707	438	(438)	2,600	39,505
Canada– United States	31,422	-	-	25,383	-		6,428	108	(594)	112	31,437
APF	59,588	-	-	42,685	395		21,026	5,477	(501)	20,164	95,160
CPA	70,485	10,392	-	16,174	-	600	3,760	184	(683)	331	30,757
Canada– China	32,993	-	-	7,906	397	-	3,469	62	(474)	95	11,454
Canada– United Kingdom	19,810	-	-	6,429	-		1,154	87	(453)	-	7,216
TOTAL	$610,468	$154,013	$191,798	$188,098	$791	$6,514	$54,998	$8,463	($5,459)	$27,163	$640,571

MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES OF PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATIONS ADMINISTERED BY THE SENATE COMMITTEES DIRECTORATE 1999-2000

North Atlantic Assembly (NATO)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Spring Session	Warsaw	Poland	May 27-31, 1999
Subcommittee on Future of the Armed Forces	Ankara, Istanbul	Turkey	June 27-30, 1999
Annual Tour	Halifax, Montreal, Ottawa, Edmonton, Cold Lake	Canada	August 7-15, 1999
Subcommittee on the Future of the Armed Forces	Rome, Pisa, La Spezia	Italy	September 27-30, 1999
45th Annual Session	Amsterdam	Netherlands	November 11-15, 1999
Meeting of the Defense Committee	Washington D.C., Southern California	United States of America	February 1-8, 2000
Meeting of the Joint-Committees on Defense and Security, Economic and Political	Brussels	Belgium	February 18-22, 2000
Meeting of the Economic Committee	Paris	France	February 22-23, 2000

Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
101st Inter-Parliamentary Conference	Brussels	Belgium	April 10-16, 1999
Meeting of the Asia Pacific Group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union	Ulaanbaatar	Mongolia	July 26-31, 1999
102nd Inter-Parliamentary Conference	Berlin	Germany	October 9-16, 1999
Meeting of the MPs Attending the 54th Session of the UN General Assembly	New York	United States of America	October 25-27, 1999
Meeting of the Steering Committee Members of 12+ Group	San Marino	Italy	February 1-6, 2000

Canada-Europe (CDA-EUROPE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Conference on "Multi-level Governance in Federal Systems: The Role of Regional and Local Authorities in Canada and Europe"	Ottawa	Canada	April 19, 1999
Second Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Strasbourg	France	April 24 - May 1, 1999

Meeting of the Environment Committee of the Council of Europe	Paris	France	May 19-22, 1999
Preparatory meeting to the OECD Debate and Third Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Paris, Strasbourg	France	June 16-25, 1999
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Murmansk	Russia	August 24-26, 1999
Fourth Part of the 1999 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Strasbourg	France	September 19-26, 1999
Visit to Canada of the Delegation of the Committee on the Environment, Regional Planning and Local Authorities of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Ottawa, Quebec, Chicoutimi, Chibougamau, Timmins, Vancouver, Squamish	Canada	September 5-14, 1999
Seminar on "Social Policy for the New Millennium"	Ottawa	Canada	October 4, 1999
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Ottawa	Canada	November 22-23, 1999
Preparatory meeting to the EBRD Debate and First Part of the 2000 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	London, Strasbourg	United Kingdom, France	January 18-29, 2000
Dinner - Seminar with H.E. José M. Duarte De Jesus, Ambassador of Portugal	Ottawa	Canada	March 1, 2000
Meeting of the Arctic Parliamentarians	Washington, D.C.	United States	March 8-9, 2000
24th Inter-Parliamentary Meeting between the European and Canadian Parliaments	Brussels	Belgium	March 18-25, 2000
Preparatory meeting to the OECD Debate and Second Part of the 2000 Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe	Paris, Strasbourg	France	March 28-April 8, 2000

Canada-Europe (OSCE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
8th Annual Session of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly	St. Petersburg	Russia	July 6-10, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Second Parliamentary Conference: "Subregional Economic Cooperation Processes in Europe faced with the new challenges"	Nantes	France	October 13-15, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Expanded Bureau Meeting and OSCE Summit	Istanbul	Turkey	November 17-19, 1999
OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Standing Committee Meeting	Vienna	Austria	January 13-14, 2000

Canada-France (CDA-FRANCE)

ACTIVITY	CITY	COUNTRY	DATES
Canada-France Day	Ottawa	Canada	May 10, 1999
49th International Congress of France-Canada Association	Moncton	Canada	August 12-15, 1999
29th Annual Meeting	Montreal/Laval, Ottawa, Vancouver, Victoria	Canada	September 8-15, 1999
Standing Committee Meeting	Paris	France	March 6-10, 2000

PART V

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Senate Committees	**Clerks**	**Administrative Assistants**
Aboriginal Peoples	Jill Anne Joseph	Kae Schade
Agriculture and Forestry	Blair Armitage	Brigitte Martineau
Boreal Forest (Subcom.)	Barbara Reynolds	Anne Marleau
Forestry (Subcom.)	Till Heyde	Mirella Agostini
Banking, Trade and Commerce	Gary Levy	Lise Bouchard
Energy, Environment and Natural Resources	Timothy Ross Wilson (April-August) Till Heyde (September-December) Michel Patrice (January-March)	Mirella Agostini (April-December) Lyne Héroux (January-April)
Fisheries	Barbara Reynolds	Anne Marleau
Foreign Affairs	Line Gravel	Louise Archambeault
Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration	Paul C. Bélisle (Clerk of the Senate) Gary O'Brien (Recording Secretary)	Diane Pugliese
Legal and Constitutional Affairs	Heather Lank (April-December) Till Heyde (January-March)	Colette Charlebois (April-December) Mirella Agostini (January-March)
Library of Parliament (Joint)	Catherine Piccinin (April-September) Gary Levy (October-March)	Debbie Pizzoferrato (April-September) Lise Bouchard (October-March)
National Finance	Denis Robert (April-September) Luc Bégin (October-March)	Marie Jak (April-September) Louise Pronovost (October-March)

Emergency and Disaster Preparedness (Subcom.)	Denis Robert	Marie Jak
Official Languages (Joint)	Tõnu Onu (April-September) Luc Bégin (October-March)	Louise Pronovost
Privileges, Standing Rules and Orders	Gary O'Brien	Diane Pugliese
Selection	Gary O'Brien (April-December) Heather Lank (January-March)	Diane Pugliese (April-December) Colette Charlebois (January-March)
Scrutiny of Regulations(Joint)	Tõnu Onu (April-September) Jill Ann Joseph (October-March)	Louise Pronovost (April-September) Kae Schade (October-March)
Social Affairs, Science and Technology	Catherine Piccinin	Debbie Pizzoferrato
Veterans Affairs (Subcom.) **Of Life and Death (Subcom.)**	Barbara Reynolds Heather Lank	Anne Marleau Colette Charlebois
Transport and Communications	Michel Patrice	Josée Thérien (April-December) Lyne Héroux (January-March)
Communication (Subcom.)	Michel Patrice (April-September) Catherine Piccinin (October-March)	Josée Thérien (April-September) Debbie Pizzoferrato (October-March)
Transportation Safety (Special)	Tõnu Onu	Louise Pronovost
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APPENDIX

CPAC BROADCASTING OF SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000

Aboriginal Peoples			
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	**Witness**
Feb. 29, 2000	1:00	Bill C-9, (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	• Assembly of First Nations
Mar. 1, 2000	2:33	Bill C-9, (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	• Canadian Labour Congress • Tsimshian Hereditary Chiefs • Mayor of the City of Terrace • Tillicum Lodge • Various witnesses
Mar. 21, 2000	2:53	Bill C-9, (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	• Land Claim Committee of the Pinantan, Pemberton Stock Association • B.C. Fisheries Survival Coalition • Various witnesses
Mar. 22, 2000	5:33	Bill C-9, (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	• Various witnesses • Citizen's Voice on Native Claims • B.C. Wildlife Federation • Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs
Mar. 23, 2000	8:32	Bill C-9, (Nisga'a Final Agreement)	• The Hon. Robert Nault, Minister of Indian and Northern Affairs • Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs • Various witnesses
Agriculture and Forestry			
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	**Witness**
Apr. 15, 1999	4:30	Farm Income	• Agricore

			• Saskatchewan Wheat Pool • United Grain Growers • National Farmers Union • Various witnesses
Apr. 22, 1999	3:25	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• Canadian Cattlemen's Association • Canadian Pork Council • Western Canadian Wheat Growers Association
Apr. 26, 1999	4:30	Recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone (rBST)	• Human Safety Panel • Various witnesses
Apr. 27, 1999	2:00	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• Canadian Wheat Board
May 3, 1999	6:25	Recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone (rBST)	• Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada (PIPS) • Health Canada • Panel on Continuing Concerns • Various witnesses
May 6, 1999	3:25	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• Keystone Agricultural Producers • Queen's University • Centre for Trade Policy and Law
May 11, 1999	1:00	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• The Hon. Lyle Vanclief, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food • Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada • Canadian Food Inspection Agency
May 13, 1999	3:00	Recombinant Bovine Growth Hormone (rBST)	• Health Canada
Feb. 10, 2000	2:00	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• Wild Rose Agricultural Producers • Canadian Federation of Agriculture
Feb. 17, 2000	1:50	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• National Farmers Union
Mar. 2, 2000	1:13	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• The Hon. Eugene Whelan, P.C., O.C.
Mar. 23, 2000	1:38	Present state and the future of agriculture in Canada	• Keystone Agricultural Producers
Banking, Trade and Commerce			
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	**Witness**
Apr. 20, 1999	2:00	Present state of the financial system in Canada	• Bank of Canada
Aug. 23, 1999	3:30	Bill C-78	• The Hon. Lucienne Robillard,

			President of Treasury Board and Minister Responsible for Infrastructure • Treasury Board of Canada • Canada Post
Aug. 24, 1999	3:00	Bill C-78	• Public Service Alliance of Canada • Canadian Union of Postal Workers • Professional Institute of the Public Service of Canada • Divisional Staff Relations Committee RCMP • RCMP Association • Federal Superannuates National Association • Armed Forces Pensioners' Association Various witnesses
Nov. 24, 1999	1:30	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• McGill University
Nov. 25, 1999	1:00	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• C.D. Howe Institute
Dec. 1, 1999	1:25	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Mr. Roy Cullen, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance • Department of Finance • Canada Customs and Revenue • Foreign Affairs and International Trade
Dec. 2, 1999	2:00	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Export Development Corporation
Dec. 8, 1999	1:30	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• University of Ottawa
Dec. 15,1999	1:00	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Gowling, Strathy & Henderson
Dec.16, 1999	1:25	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• American Council for Capital Formation
Feb. 9, 2000	1:45	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Bank of Montreal • Bank of Nova Scotia • CIBC • Royal Bank Group • Toronto Dominion Bank
Feb.	1:30	Present state	• Export Development Corporation

10, 2000		of the domestic and international financial system	
Feb.16, 2000	1:25	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Ernst & Young
Feb. 23, 2000	2:25	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Formula Growth Fund and Pembroke MGMT • Osgoode Hall Law School
Feb. 24, 2000	1:50	Present state of the domestic and international financial system	• Primark Decision Economic, Inc.

Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Jun. 15, 1999	3:00	Bill C-32 (Pollution prevention and the protection of the environment and human health)	• Department of the Environment
Jun. 16, 1999	2:00	Bill C-32	• Department of the Environment
Aug. 24, 1999	6:30	Bill C-32	• Department of the Environment
Aug. 25, 1999	6:25	Bill C-32	• The Hon. David Anderson, Minister of the Environment • Department of the Environment
Aug.	7:00	Bill C-32	• Canadian Chemical Producers' Association

26, 1999			• Mining Association of Canada • Canadian Environmental Law Association • World Wildlife Fund Canada • Sierra Club of Canada • Western Canada Wilderness Committee
Aug. 27, 1999	5:30	Bill C-32	• Department of the Environment • Inuit Tapirisat • Métis National Council • Manitoba Keewatinowi Okimakanak Inc. • Various witnesses
Aug. 30, 1999	7:00	Bill C-32	• Canadian Institute for Environmental Law and Policy • Canadian Federation of Agriculture • Canadian Fertilizer Institute • Canadian Chamber of Commerce • *Centre patronal de l'environnement du Qué* • Canadian Health Coalition • Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment Nunavut Tunngavik Inc.
Aug. 31, 1999	6:45	Bill C-32	• Environmental Law Centre • West Coast Environmental Law Association • Canadian Vehicle Manufacturers' Association • *Société pour vaincre la pollution* • Environmental Group STOP • Canadian Petroleum Products Institute • Various witnesses
Sep. 1, 1999	6:00	Bill C-32	• Salt Institute • Canadian Water and Wastewater Association • Canadian Labour Congress • Canadian Union of Public Employees • Canadian Institute of Child Health • Déline Dene Uranium Committee

Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Apr. 15, 1999	1:45	Privatization and quota licensing in Canada's Fisheries	• The Hon. David Anderson, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans • Department of Fisheries and Oceans
May	1:30	Bill C-27	• Department of Fisheries and Oceans

6, 1999		(Coastal Fisheries Protection Act and the Canada Shipping Act)	• Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade
Feb. 15, 2000	1:50	Examination of matters relating to fishing industry	• The Hon. Herb Dhaliwal, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans • Department of Fisheries and Oceans
Feb. 22, 2000	1:45	Examination of matters relating to fishing industry	• Department of Fisheries and Oceans • Aqua Health Ltd

Date	Length of Meeting	Order of Reference	
May 4, 1999	2:00	Ramifications to Canada of the changed mandate of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)	• Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade • Department of National Defence
May 5, 1999	2:00	Ramifications to Canada of the changed mandate of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)	• Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade • Department of National Defence
May 11, 1999	1:25	(NATO)	• Kansas State University
May 12, 1999	2:00	(NATO)	• University of Toronto
May 26, 1999	5:45	(NATO)	• Canadian Forces Joint Headquarters • Delegation of the European Commission in Canada • Fisheries and Oceans Canada • Various witnesses
Jun. 1, 1999	2:30	(NATO)	• Various witnesses
Jun.	2:30	(NATO)	• University of Calgary

2, 1999			• Dalhousie University
Jun. 8, 1999	2:30	(NATO)	• Canadian International Peacekeeping Training Centre • McMaster University • Canadian Council for International Peace and Security
Jun. 9, 1999	2:00	(NATO)	• Various witnesses
Nov. 30, 1999	1:45	(NATO)	• The Hon. Lloyd Axworthy, Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Tr • The Hon. Arthur Eggleton, Minister of National Defence • Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade • Department of National Defence
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Jun. 15, 1999	2:30	Main Estimates to March 31, 2000	• Canadian International Development Agency
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Nov. 29, 1999	5:00	Subject-matter of Bill C-6 (Support and promote electronic commerce by protecting personal information)	• British Columbia Civil Liberties Association • BC Freedom of Information and Privacy Association • Public Interest Advocacy Centre • Canadian Health Coalition • Insurance Bureau of Canada and Association of Canadian Insurers • Canadian Coalition Against Insurance Fraud • Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association • Canadian Dental Association • Canadian Medical Association • College of Family Physicians of Canada • Information Technology Association of Canada (ITAC) • AOL Canada • Microsoft • Equifax • Canadian Bankers Association • Canadian Marketing Association
Nov. 30, 1999	3:00	Subject-matter of Bill C-6	• IMS Health • Canadian Pharmacists Association • Ontario Association of Medical Laboratories • Canadian Healthcare Association • Health Canada
Dec.	2:30	Subject-matter	• Various witnesses

1, 1999		of Bill C-6	
Dec. 2, 1999	3:00	Subject-matter of Bill C-6	• The Hon. John Manley, Minister of Industry • Ontario Ministry of Health • Industry Canada
Dec. 6, 1999	1:00	Subject-matter of Bill C-6	• Various witnesses
Mar. 2, 2000	2:23	Examine the state of the health care system in Canada	• University of Toronto - Department of Health Administration • Health Canada • Health Action Lobby (HEAL)
Mar. 22, 2000	2:21	Examine the state of the health care system in Canada	• Canadian Policy Research Network • Founder's Network • Goldfarb Consultant • Environics Research Group
Mar. 23, 2000	1:52	Examine the state of the health care system in Canada	• Health Canada • Queen's University - School of Policy Studies
Mar. 29, 2000	2:18	Bill S-5	• The Hon. Jerahmiel Grafstein • Library of Parliament • National Library of Canada • National Archives of Canada • League of Canadian Poets
Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Apr. 13, 1999	2:25	Bill C-55, (Advertising services supplied by foreign periodical publishers	• The Hon. Sheila Copps, Minister of Heritage Canada • Heritage Canada
Apr. 20, 1999	2:45	Bill C-55	• Canadian Business Press • Reader's Digest Canada
Apr. 22, 1999	2:00	Bill C-55	• Various witnesses
Apr. 27, 1999	1:00	Bill C-55	• Osgoode Hall Law School

Apr. 29, 1999	1:25	Bill C-55	• Time Canada Ltd. • Osgoode Hall Law School
May 4, 1999	3:00	Bill C-55	• Alliance of Manufacturers & Exporters Canada • Free Trade Lumber Council • Canadian Association of Photographers & Illustrators in Communications • Association of Canadian Publishers • *Association québécoise de l'industrie du disque, du spectacle et de la vidéo (ADISQ)* • Canadian Conference of the Arts • Canadian Association of Broadcasters • Various witnesses
May 6, 1999	3:30	Bill C-55	• Osgoode Hall Law School • Association of Canadian Advertisers (ACA) • Institute of Canadian Advertising (ICA) • Canadian Magazine Publishers Association
May 11, 1999	1:30	Bill C-55	The Hon. Sheila Copps, Minister of Heritage Canada • Heritage Canada
May 13, 1999	1:45	Bill C-55	• Canadian Broadcasting Corporation
May 25, 1999	1:30	Bill C-55	• The Hon. Sergio Marchi, Minister from the Department on International Tra • Department of International Trade
May 31, 1999	2:30	Bill C-55	• The Hon. Sheila Copps, Minister of Canadian Heritage • Heritage Canada
Nov. 2, 1999	2:25	Canada Transportation Act	• Onex Corporation
Nov. 3, 1999	1:50	Canada Transportation Act	• Canadian Airlines
Nov. 8, 1999	3:45	Canada Transportation Act	• Commissioner of Official Languages • Canadian Transportation Agency • Canadian Auto Workers (CAW)
Nov.	6:50	Canada	• Air Canada

9, 1999		Transportation Act	• Canada 3000 • Canada Airport Council • Canadian Union of Public Employees • Star Alliance • Air Canada Pilots Association
Nov. 16, 1999	2:00	Canada Transportation Act	• First Air • West Jet

Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
May 5, 1999	1:00	Examination of Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness	• The Hon. Art Eggleton, Minister of National Defence Department • National Defence Department • Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff • Emergency Preparedness Canada
May 31, 1999	2:00	Examination of Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness	• Gordon A. McBean, Assistant Deputy Minister from Environment Canada,
Jun. 1, 1999	1:25	Xamination of Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness	• Department of National Defence
Jun. 16, 1999	2:00	Examination of Canada's Emergency and Disaster Preparedness	• Canadian Red Cross Society • Insurance Bureau of Canada

Date	**Length of Meeting**	**Order of Reference**	
Feb. 14, 2000	2:00	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Health Law Institute, Dalhousie University • Faculty of Law, University of Manitoba
Feb.	1:45	Examination	• Canadian Palliative Care Association and the *Association*

15, 2000		of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	*québécoise de soins palliatifs* • College of Family Physicians of Canada
Feb. 22, 2000	2:50	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons • Canadian Pharmacists Association • Canadian Healthcare Association • Canadian Medical association • Canadian Nurses Association
Feb. 28, 2000	4:50	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Department of Health Canada • Elizabeth Bruyère Centre • University of Toronto • University of Manitoba
Feb. 29, 2000	1:25	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Council on Aging of Ottawa-Carleton • University of Toronto
Mar. 20, 2000	3:41	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Department of Health Canada • Council of Canadians with Disabilities • Campaign Life Coalition • Euthanasia Prevention Coalition of Ontario • Alliance for Life Ontario • Care in Dying • Alberta Life Foundation
Mar.	1:57	Examination	• Catholic Health Association of Canada

21, 2000		of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• *Barreau du Qué*
Mar. 28, 2000	2:18	Examination of the developments since the tabling of the final report of the Special Cttee on Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide	• Centre for Bioethics, Clinical Research Institute of Montreal • Department of Psychology, *Université du Québec à Montré* • Office of the Chief Coroner of Ontario • Medical Research Council of Canada

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